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TIDE OF BATTLE NOW FOLLOWING RAILWAY LINES

Hsueh Objective Of Invaders After Pengpu Is Captured

Shanghai, Jan. 6.
Driving from north and south along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, the Japanese forces at both ends of the line are continuing their relentless attacks in an attempt to force Chinese troops out of their strong defence positions in the vicinity of Hsueh, strategic railway junction city, where the Lunghai line meets the Tientsin-Pukow system.

Two Japanese columns, according to Chinese reports, are driving from the bank of the Yangtze into the north in an endeavour to occupy the southern portion of the Tientsin-Pukow railway.

The objective of these units is Pengpu, in northern Anhwei, against which the attackers are making a determined march.

The Japanese claim their troops have seized Kanai, 90 kilometres north-west of Yangchow. As a result of this success the Japanese are said to be within 100 kilometres of Pengpu. — *Reuter*.

Lunghai Line Objective

Hankow, Jan. 6.
Indications are mounting that the Lunghai Railway is the next objective of the Japanese, who will probably simultaneously drive to Hsueh from both the south and north and also attempt a landing at Hsueh to bring the Peiping-Hankow front closer to Chengchow. The Chinese line south of Shanghai at present stretches to Szechuan, Ningyang and Wenshang. Fighting is at present going on between the Chinese centre and a Japanese column advancing down the Tientsin-Pukow railway, south of Yenchow. — *United Press*.

Successful Raids

Hankow, Jan. 6.
Chinese planes raided Wuhs yesterday according to reports from Chinese sources which state that on (Continued on Page 4.)

STOP PRESS

Urges Japan To Spiritual Mobilisation

Finance Minister Asks Public To Support Army

Tokyo, Jan. 6.
Stranger support from the whole nation for the Government's financial policy in order to achieve the objective of the current hostilities, was urged by the Finance Minister today in a message to the people of Japan. "The nation behind the guns should leave nothing undone to cope with the situation arising from prolonged hostilities, especially in giving strong support to the Government's policies for financing our military operations," he said. Pointing to the various problems at home and abroad with which Japan is confronted, the Finance Minister emphasised the necessity for a "spiritual mobilisation" to bring about a satisfactory solution. He then voiced the hope that the military operations of the Japanese forces would be crowned "with success in glorious victory." — *Reuter*.

MARYSE HILSE RESCUED

Arrives At Jask With Bedouins
Plane Wrecked In Desert

Basra, Jan. 5.
Mlle. Maryse Hilse arrived at Jask after a two-days' trek across the desert on camel back, accompanied by a party of Bedouins. Her aeroplane, slightly damaged, was left in the desert. Mlle. Hilse stated that when she left Saigon in her attempt to establish a second record, she knew the engine was not in condition to face bad weather, but she was determined to beat the record. Violent storms forced her to abandon the attempt across the Persian Gulf, and when she decided to fly northwards along the coast, she met thunderstorms and heavy rain. Suddenly her engine failed and she contemplated jumping with a parachute, but finally made a forced landing between Jask and Bandar Abbas. — *Reuter*.

Suetsugu's Views Clash With Avowed Policy

TROOPS TRAPPED BY FIRE



Japanese troops, building a bridge across one of the innumerable creeks in the vicinity of Nanking, were trapped when Chinese aeroplanes set the surrounding brush afire with incendiary bombs. This remarkable photograph, exclusive to the *Telegraph*, shows the Japanese fleeing from the onrushing flames.

ROOSEVELT OUTLINES ECONOMY BUDGET

Wants Billion For Relief Work
Warns Against Obstruction

Washington, Jan. 5.
In his annual Budget message today, President Roosevelt asked Congress for another \$1,000,000,000 for relief purposes during the fiscal year 1939, and at the same time warned rebellious legislators against opposing his economy programme.

He said that the combined deficits for the fiscal years 1938 and 1939 total \$2,037,735,600 and renewed his demands for widespread economies to hold the 1939 deficit at \$949,606,000 which is \$10,288,129,600 under the estimated 1938 deficit.

He estimated that the gross public debt, on June 30, 1939, would be \$38,528,252,918.

He said that the business recession had reacted on the Administration's financial house, and instead of a balanced budget which he predicted for the year ending June 30, 1939, he was forced to report a net deficit of \$1,000,129,000 as a likelihood.

Likewise, he said, instead of a completely balanced budget for 1939-40 which he forecast to permit a gradual reduction of the national debt, he was compelled to estimate the probable net deficit for that year at \$949,606,000 which would be \$130,523,600 under the current deficit.

The President's message showed steady gains in revenue collections, which for the 1937 fiscal year amounted to \$5,203,840,237 which is \$54,000,000 under the estimates, although a gain of \$1,178,000,000 over the 1936 fiscal year.

He said that the total revenues from all sources for the current fiscal year reached \$6,320,913,000 which is \$97,100 under the estimates, and he forecast a drop of \$89,439,000 in miscellaneous internal revenue collections.

The President said that the recession had forced a revision of the earlier and more rosy estimates, and expressed the hope that the calendar year would bring an improvement in business and a resultant rise in tax receipts. However, he warned: "The Treasury is leaning to the conservative (Continued on Page 12.)"

EXPECT "GO AHEAD" SIGNAL IN AMERICAN NAVAL RE-ARMAMENT

Washington, Jan. 5.
White House officials indicated today that President Franklin Roosevelt is about to give the "Go Ahead" signal for the expanded naval construction programme. They stated that the President called to the White House congressional leaders, Mr. Charles Edison of the N.R.A., and Admiral Leahy. — *Reuter*.

FAITH IN INDUSTRY

Washington, Jan. 5.
President Roosevelt's message to Congress, veering away from public works and Civilian Conservation Corporation as methods of solving the unemployment problem, is regarded in political circles as affirming the hope that private industry may take up the slack in employment. With additional relief measures possible, the re-employment programme is seemingly held in reserve in case recession becomes worse. While the President does not specifically link the re-employment programme with re-employment measures, well-informed circles interpret this phase of the budgetary position as follows:

MARGIN FOR ARMS

If, through Government co-operation with business, joint measures to halt recession are successful, relief expenditure can be further cut, leaving the margin available for arms expenditure should the international situation, especially in the Far East, show no improvement. Should recession become worse, however, increased expenditure on defence would still be a better investment than public works, since the construction of roads, public buildings and dams have about reached their limit of present usefulness. Hence, whatever the coming year has in store, authoritative circles believe expenditure on defence is certain to show a continued upward curve. — *Reuter*.

NEW BUILDING PLAN PREDICTED

Washington, Jan. 5.
Hints given by congressional leaders and naval officials, who interviewed President Roosevelt today, indicate that the message, which it is understood the President will shortly send to Congress, will ask for a basic year to come to replace the 1934 Vinson-Trammell Act, in which the programme laid down was based on the Washington and London naval treaties.

AMERICA PAYING ATTENTION

Studying Japan's Shai Demands

Washington, Jan. 5.
The Japanese claims within the Shanghai International Settlement are engaging the closest attention of the State Department, Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, told a press conference today. Nevertheless, Mr. Hull declined to commit himself to a statement until all data had been assembled. — *Reuter*.

SUPPORTS JAPANESE

Peking, Jan. 6.
Writing in the Japanese-dominated *Peiping Chronicle*, Captain I. V. Gillis, retired U.S. Navy officer and former naval attaché, supports the stand that all foreigners in Japanese-occupied territory are subject to Japanese martial law. "In such occupied territory all extraterritorial rights, vis-a-vis the Chinese, cease to exist and are temporarily suspended," he holds. — *United Press*.

Thus, if the new programme is adopted, the United States will follow the lead of other nations and abandon the yardstick limitation system laid down by the treaties. Although it is stated that no decision has been reached on the types or numbers of additional vessels, Admiral Leahy, chief of Naval Operations, indicated that the navy favoured one or more battleships beyond the four at present being built or projected, as well as two additional aircraft-carriers and many small cruisers. — *Reuter*.

SHAKE BRITAIN'S CONFIDENCE IN TOKYO ASSURANCES

Anti-British Sentiments Unlikely To Change With Elevation To Ministry

London, Jan. 5.
The *Scotsman*, in an editorial, says it is uncertain how much importance should be attached to the Japanese Minister Admiral Nobumasa Suetsugu's bellicose statements. The fact that he was appointed Minister of the Interior shows that his views are not unacceptable in Tokyo official circles. It is unlikely that ministerial responsibility will modify his anti-British sentiments.

Certainly, says the paper, it is disconcerting to find one of the most influential Japanese politicians expressing views so much at variance with the repeated assurances of other Japanese Ministers that Japanese action in China is not motivated by antagonism to the foreign Powers, and that there is no intention of interfering with their interests. Still less confidence can be placed on these assurances after the Japanese demands to the Shanghai Municipal Council.

CHINESE LODGE PROTEST

Object To Giving Over Prisoners To Japanese

Hankow, Jan. 6.
The Chinese Foreign Office has requested the British, French and American governments to take prompt measures to prevent enforcement of the Shanghai Municipal Council's proclamation of January 1, giving the police emergency powers as a sequel to bomb-throwing incidents in the Settlement. The Foreign Office strongly objects to the provision for making offenders against armed forces in the Settlement liable to be handed over to the forces concerned, and states that the Chinese Government reserves all rights possessed within the Settlement, and would regard as illegal the delivery to non-Chinese armed forces of anyone over whom the Chinese law courts exercise jurisdiction.

China has also sent a note to Tokyo protesting against the alleged intimidation of Chinese Consular officials in Korea who refused to acknowledge the so-called Provisional Government of Peiping. — *Reuter*.

FORCED RECOGNITION

Hankow, Jan. 6.
It is officially announced that in the course of the past week Japanese gendarmes and police raided Chinese Consulates in Gensan and Fusan, Korea, and forced them to hoist the five-barred flag of the Peiping regime.

All Chinese Consuls in Formosa and Korea have been forced to become representatives of the Peiping regime. The Chinese Ambassador to Tokyo yesterday lodged a strong protest with the Foreign Office against these unlawful activities. — *United Press*.

PRINCE BERNHARD LEAVES HOSPITAL

Amsterdam, Jan. 6.
Accompanied by a doctor, Prince Bernhard returned to the Palace from hospital today by road, passing the scene of his motor accident. — *Reuter-Bulletin*.

The paper regards Admiral Suetsugu's insistence yesterday, that he was speaking as a private individual and not a Minister of the State, as a naive distinction which is meaningless. Admiral Suetsugu's indiscreet utterances recall the Tanaka Memorial Plan of 1927, whose authenticity Japan denies, but which, although it seemed extremely audacious at the time, has been largely carried out. — *Reuter*.

Early Press Comments

London, Jan. 5.
Reactions to the interview with Admiral Suetsugu and the Japanese demands in Shanghai mutually compete for general attention here. The Shanghai demands especially are given prominence in papers of every complexion, including the popular ones, accompanied by notes on the efficiency of the Council administration and the Police and the appalling problem presented by millions of refugees in Shanghai and Japanese inability to prevent outrages in the areas they themselves control. The *Daily Express* declares that the Japanese say they will take over (Continued on Page 4.)

Businessmen In Shanghai Still Hopeful

But There Must Be Losses

Shanghai, Jan. 6.
Prerequisites for the restoration of normal trading conditions in Shanghai are the re-opening of communications, the establishing of free markets and continuing financial support. This belief was expressed by Mr. Calder Marshall, Chairman of the British Chamber of Commerce, when interviewed. He said there were no glowingly optimistic prospects in the forthcoming year. "That would not be facing realities, and that is what we Britons must do. We must face realities and face the fact that there are going to be losses. The position is not hopeless. That would be swinging to the other extreme. "Shanghai businessmen, and I think I speak for all nationalities, have guts enough to stick it out in this city. Most of them would say 'It's going to cost something, but muck! we'll stick it.' They have confidence in the inherent resiliency of the Chinese people and their ability to meet trouble bravely." — *Reuter*.

Mary Grace's Fashion News

TEA time is an important time of day in the English home, and perhaps that is one of the reasons why afternoon frocks play such a large part in the average wardrobe.

Once upon a time Paris was not enthusiastic about catering for our needs in this direction, but this season designers have excelled themselves. An elegance of detail and trimming is the keynote.

I noticed one particularly smart dress with no ornamentation of any kind except that down the front, in place of the usual rather large buttons, were three miniature umbrellas.

In addition, designers have borrowed many evening materials and made them up in plain tailored dress styles.

Taffetas, for instance, are particularly adaptable for the season's skirts, which are slowly but unmistakably getting shorter and shorter.

Silver or gold threaded fabrics that are a subdued version of the sparkling evening laces appear in demure styles, while the clinging qualities of supple silk jerseys render them most suitable for cunningly draped bodices and that front fullness on skirts.

Practically every style is sheath fitting to below the waist, so that we cannot afford the slightest wrinkle in our foundation garments.

Necklines for the majority remain high, but transparent vokes or inserted motifs of net or chiffon, as well as delightfully attractive handwork, momentarily break this rather hard line.

Our artist has sketched four typical frocks illustrating fashions from the mid-season's collections. Face insets and tiny trills break the sleek line of the left-hand model.

The trio (insets) includes a new tunic cut high to throat in front and with a V back. The style has an edging of brocade anglaise.

The trimming fashion is carried a stage further in the centre figure; heavy wool embroidery is shown on the rounded bodice which is in a darker tone to the rest of the frock.

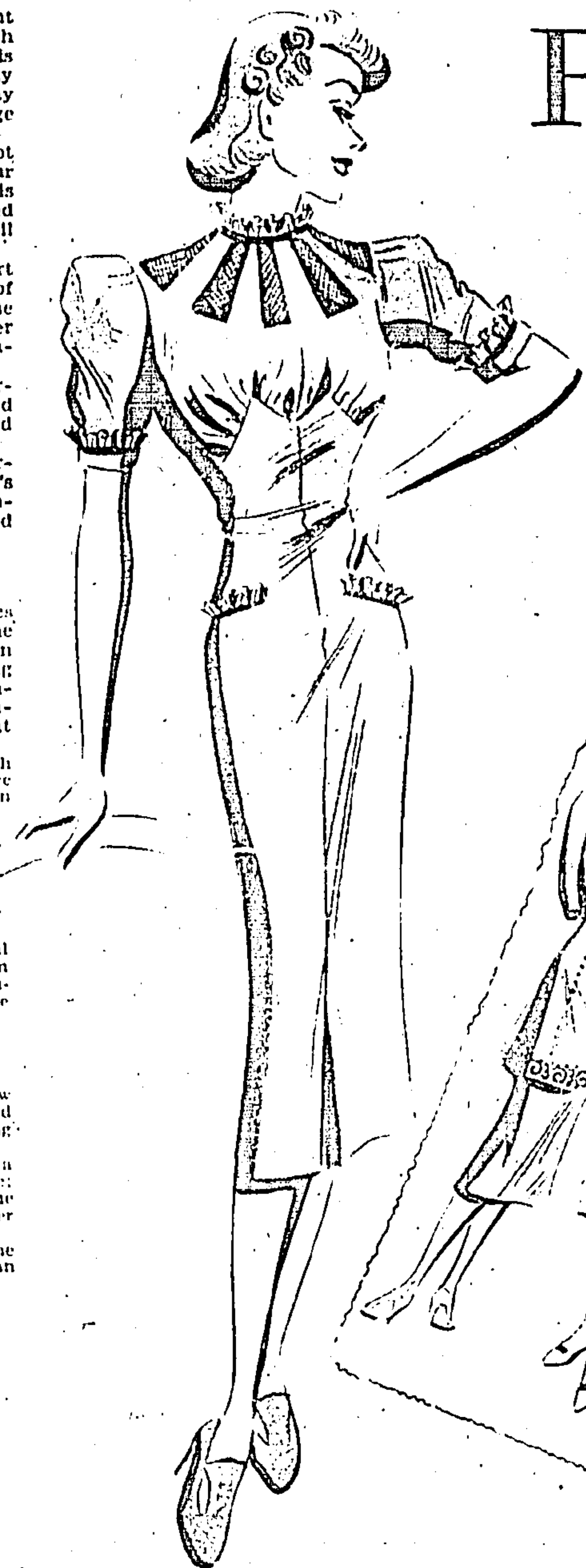
Stripes go round and round in the third frock, of taffeta, which sports an umbrella skirt.

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Column
For H.K.
Kiddies**

OUT-to-TEA FROCKS

Wool Embroidery
Taffeta & Jersey
Net Yokes

Insets of net give an attractive yoke effect to the taffeta frock on the left. Below, interest centres on the back of a new tunic frock trimmed with broderie anglaise.



Bold wool embroidery on the bodice of the centre figure (above) offsets the simplicity of style. Right, an umbrella frock in striped taffeta.

Velvety Skin

By Frances Day

BLACKHEADS cause a great deal of distress, and require immediate attention.

They are brought about by certain glands supplying too much oil, which gets clogged in the pores and prevents the skin from breathing in the normal way.

This oil hardens then forms the blackhead.

A DIET of fresh fruit and plenty of vegetables is necessary to cleanse the blood.

Tea and coffee should also be avoided as much as possible and quantities of cold water taken.

After a daily warm bath and cold sponge-down, rub the whole body vigorously with a rough towel until every limb is tingling.

IF the blackheads are inflamed or open apply peroxide. Use no make-up while the blackheads are angry but simply apply a little antiseptic powder, and you'll regain a clear complexion and soft velvety skin.

Mustard Plaster

IN an emergency a mustard plaster can be made quite easily by mixing an equal quantity of flour and mustard and spreading on brown paper. Before applying, a layer of gauze should be laid on the skin to avoid blistering.

Cauliflower Pie

ONE cooked cauliflower; 1/2 lb. mushrooms; Seasoning;

A little grated cheese; 1/2 oz. flour; 1/2 oz. butter; 3/4 pint milk.

Have ready a medium-sized cauliflower cooked soft but not mushy. Break into pieces and arrange in a greased pie-dish. Melt the butter in a saucepan.

Prepare the mushrooms, cut into small pieces, and fry in the butter for about seven minutes. Add the flour for about seven minutes. Add the flour and seasoning, and then gradually stir in three-quarter pint milk.

Stir till boiling over a low flame. Pour over the cauliflower, sprinkle with grated cheese, and place in a moderate oven for ten to 15 minutes. Brown under the grill. Serve at once.

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Try your hand at these tricks

TWELVE-YEAR-OLD Peter Harrison, sends in a good trick that will mystify your friends.

First, you must prepare a handkerchief with a hem-stitched border by slipping a match into the hem at one corner.

Then, holding it at this corner, you can remove the broken match later.

Shake out the handkerchief before your friends, to show—that it is empty. Now ask somebody to place a match in the centre of the handkerchief. Fold over the four corners, and in doing so slip the centre match into your hand, out of sight.

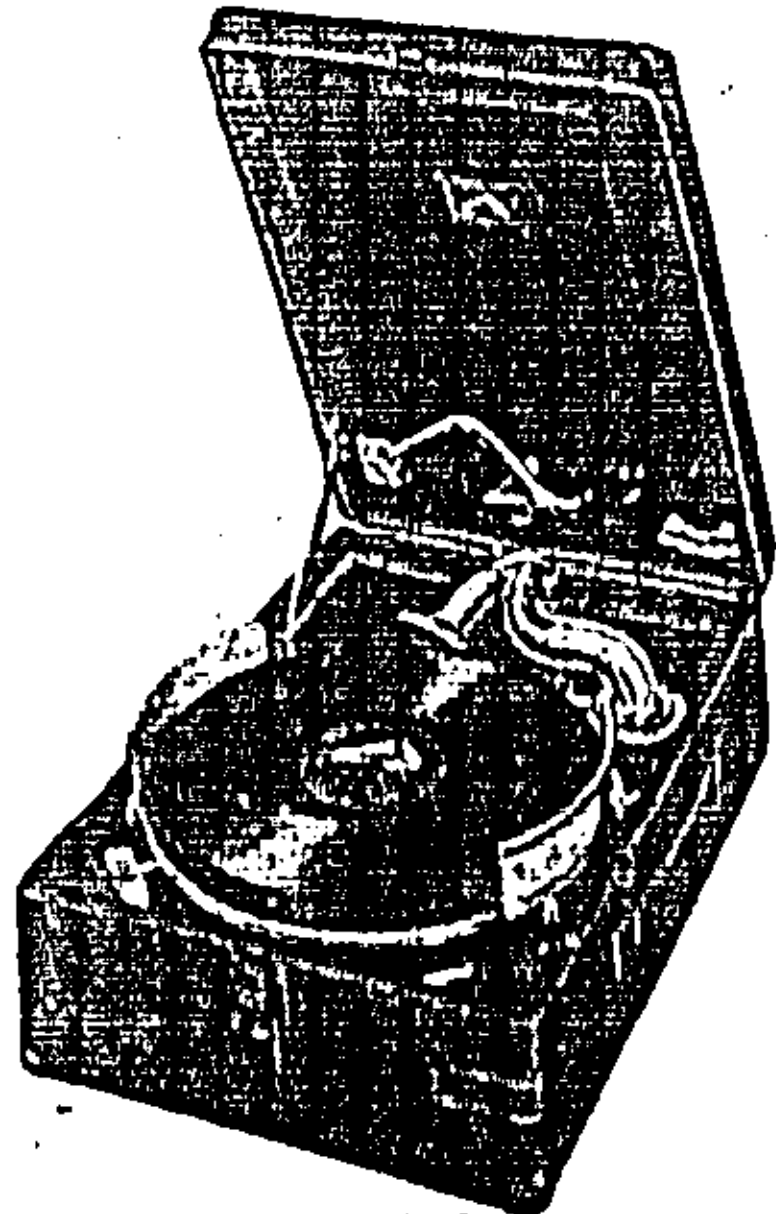
With the handkerchief all folded, ask somebody to break the match inside. Of course, they feel the match in the hem and break that one. But when you shake the handkerchief afterwards, you drop the unbroken match from your hand, as well as on the way out.

AN explorer set out into the desert, taking with him enough food for five days. His camel trotted at the rate of fifty miles a day.

How far did he go into the desert?

Fourteen-year-old Daphne West, sets this problem. And the answer? 125 miles. Not 250 miles. He would have to eat on the way back unbroken match from your hand, as well as on the way out.

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Which left me guessing! Ten years ago I should have known the main one groups of built-covered just what to expect by such an in- chairs, tables and settees in syc- vitation—an excursion into a dim- more and chromium, a bar for snack Soho yard or mews, a climb up stone stairways, a scrutiny by a grained meals at one end, bar for drinks commissioner and an entrance in- to a fantastically decorated dance heated swimming pool lined with a room with very little ventilation. blue tiles with a wide balcony on either side; leading from this two groups of six people sitting round a squash racquet courts with a gallery for spectators.

A bar in a corner kept busy by a table meant for two; coffee in tall glasses, beer in mugs, gin and tonics the favourite drinks; here and there someone eating a kipper. Music Plenty of air, a murmur of music relayed from the restaurant, much talking and laughter. "We don't dance much; we all like games best," I was told.

THIS sounded different. A swim suit! When I asked for an explanation over dinner I was told to "wait and see."

Finally we arrived at a huge block year," was the reply. "Less if you of flats set in a semi-circle round a don't play games. The pool is free, J. W. E.

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COMMENCING SATURDAY

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Pole Men Tell Of Sausage And Afternoon 'Tea Parties'

MEDIATOR



FOR PEACE—German efforts to mediate peace in the Sino-Japanese war were seen in the sudden arrival of the German Ambassador to China, Oskar Trautmann, above, in Nanking. He refused to comment.

Doris Duke to Share Millions

From RICHARD JONES

Doris Duke, world's richest girl, sat in her palatial New York mansion recently reflecting on the embarrassment of riches while her husband, Mr. James Cromwell, author and economist, discussed with me the manner in which she proposed to dispose of her latest birthday gift of \$2,000,000.

This gift, the second instalment of a trust fund established by her father, the late J. B. Duke, president of the American Tobacco Company, had just been paid to her on her 25th birthday.

"It's a lot of money," admitted her 40-year-old husband, himself a millionaire, "but what Doris is going to do with it is frankly nobody's business."

"It will be used to bring a greater measure of comfort, security, and decency into the lives of those people who are less fortunate than ourselves."

Mr. Cromwell pointed out that the original legacy of \$3,000,000 dollars left by his father-in-law struck considerably during the world depression, and, whereas it might have been in the neighbourhood of \$10,000,000 or even \$12,000,000, to-day it was worth only \$10,000,000, of which Mrs. Cromwell had received two-thirds.

He said that he could not divulge how the money would be spent.

"My wife prefers not to be pinned down to any plan. She has enough to think about as it is without going into detail," he said.

"Wealthy people now know of a way to dispose of money, and they prefer to do it quietly and without fuss."

"Perhaps she is a little young to know exactly what to do with the money, but she will have expert advice at her disposal and will herself nominate the charities to which she wishes to give."

"Of course, she's been inundated with begging and even threatening letters, but she is always getting them. We just don't take any notice—at least of the threats."

Dr. Cronin Surprise

New York. Dr. A. J. Cronin, who diagnosed Harley-street's illnesses in his book "The Citadel," revealed in Boston recently that he was thinking of becoming an American citizen and was likely to bring his wife and four-year-old son over here.

Dr. Cronin, who is on the way to Hollywood, said he would allow the filming of "The Citadel" only on condition that he was given direct control of the production.

SOUTH AFRICA

LOCOMOTIVE ORDERS FOR GERMANY

Capetown. The South African Railway Administration has ordered 17 new locomotives from Krupp, of Essen. It was recently announced that the South African railway had placed a contract for locomotives worth £1,300,000 with the German firm, Henschel and Sohn and the Berliner Maschinenbau-Reuter.

£20,000,000 for Roads—It is now believed that the scheme for constructing 6,400 miles of national roads, due for completion in 1943, will cost £20,000,000 instead of the £11,000,000 originally estimated. The difference is due to a decision to macadamise the roads.

Moscow. Life at the North Pole was described by Krenkel, one of the four Russian scientists there, in a message read out from Moscow radio recently. He told how they cook sausages, how they have founded a "chemist's shop," how they manage in their cramped "canvas house."

The four scientists are Papanin, Krenkel, Shirshov, and Fedorov. Krenkel is the radio operator. The message said: "You would like to know our address. I suppose."

"We are now on latitude 83deg. 38mins. north. If you go along the north-east coast of Greenland, branch off to your right and walk on the ice for 125 miles, you will be sure to find us."

"You have probably heard of the ten tin which we live. I object to it being called a tent. It is our house, a house with a canvas roof."

"In order to get into it you first have to open a flap, bending very low if you do not want a heap of snow down your neck, and then open a very tight-fitting rubber door."

"AVOID CEILING" "We have got used to this door by now and manage to get through it carrying teapots and saucepans with our dinner. You, however, would find difficulty in opening the door."

"Now that winter has come we have got a lot of things in our house and I have evolved a set of rules which I follow closely whenever I get inside my sleeping bag or change my clothes."

"Rule 1.—Avoid sharp corner of the table when getting into sleeping bag."

"Rule 2.—Avoid sharp metal bolt on the ceiling when getting up."

"Rule 3.—When putting on trousers avoid up-stair lamp with the right foot and Shirshov's writing desk with the left."

"Our food, frozen meat, comes in one well-sealed tin, the 'cans' containing the result of our labours. We have trained ourselves to the thought that this tin is far more important than our own heads."

"LUXURIES" "We have several luxuries in our house. There is a metal plate over our lamp put there to protect the roof. That is, we can go on better. Our money is not in the bank but in the Moscow Food Trust; we can have our money at any time of the day."

"Then we have our chemist's shop. A few days ago we 'put the jars' on Shirshov who had a chill. It was a priceless sight and we all roared with laughter, including the patient."

"He has recovered now. The general opinion is that the jars did it. But I strongly suspect that laughter was the cause of the speedy cure."

"Putting on jars" is a favourite Russian method of treating chills on the chest. A candle stump is lit and put inside a glass jar. The mouth of the jar is then applied to the affected part and suction is supposed to draw out the ailment."

After this message was read, Moscow switched on to Prague. The Pole scientists listened to a greeting from Mr. Novodny, Czech Arctic airman "on behalf of the people of Czechoslovakia."



PROMOTE—Mrs. Zhenchukina, Yampovskaya, "Mole" off, wife of the Russian Premier and head of the Soviet State cosmetic trust, recently appointed Vice Commissar for Internal Supply, according to announcements in Moscow. She visited the United States in 1935 and was a luncheon guest of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt in the White House. Her cosmetic trust is most successful.

NEW ZEALAND

MORE FOREIGN TRADE

Wellington. A marked expansion in New Zealand's foreign trade is revealed by the figures for the first 10 months of this year.

Exports, in English currency amounted approximately to £46,540,000, compared with £38,897,200 for the same period last year, and imports to £27,284,000, compared with £28,000,400.—Reuter.

Two British Women Are White Angels Of Jungle

Release Plan For Army Officer

The Home Secretary is considering the release from custody of ex-Lieutenant Austin C. Duffield, who, in June 1927, was condemned to death for the murder of Lieut. Colonel J. S. Fitzgerald, his commanding officer.

A week after the execution day had been fixed the sentence was commuted to penal servitude for life.

Duffield was in the East Surrey Regiment, which was stationed at Gibraltar.

He said at his trial: "It was better that one man should die than the whole regiment should be ruined."

He blamed Colonel Fitzgerald for "extra work, given to subalterns," and said he meant to use the second shot in his revolver on himself, but had to fire both at his victim.

He has now been in Maidstone Jail for ten years.

SPECIAL EMPIRE CABLES

AUSTRALIAN LOAN PLAN ATTACKED

Sydney. Mr. Curtin, leader of the Opposition, and Mr. Scullin, the former Socialist Prime Minister, launched a new attack on the Lyon Government over the proposal to borrow £2,500,000 in London for defence equipment.

They urged that the money should be raised by a special internal tax on high incomes.

Mr. Casey, the Treasurer in the Federal Cabinet, emphasised that the proposal in no way represented a return to general London borrowings.

Although the Federal revenue from July 1 to Nov. 30 this year was nearly £2,000,000 more than for the same period last year, and savings banks totals had largely increased, Labour, in consequence of the fall in wheat and wool prices, was demanding immediate preparation for another depression within a year.

Shortage of Engineers.—Rearmament is leading to unusual competition between England and Australia for skilled engineers and artisans. Australian industries, already fully employed on munition work, complain of shortage of skilled labour, and urge the immigration of artisans from Great Britain. Hundreds of Australian engineers, seeking experience in England in the past year, have been snapped up on arrival.

Bontany Bay Memorials.—There is some criticism of the "over-squeamishness" of the 150th anniversary celebrations committee in forbidding all references to convicts during the celebrations. Mr. Herbert J. Rumsey, President of the Society of Genealogists, has privately published biographies of all those who arrived with Capt. Phillip in 1788. He says that there is no need to ask whether they were sent out to Botany Bay.



CAKES AND SWEETS And Everything were provided for youngsters at the K.C.C. Annual Children's Party, to which the kiddies invariably look forward each year. This youngster is certainly enjoying himself.—Staff Photographer.

MOTHERING 2,000 CHILD REFUGEES

Nairobi.

Two British women, the only white women in the refugee camp which 6,000 Abyssinians, men, women and children, fleeing the Italian "clean-up" campaign, are hacking out of the jungle as their new home on the banks of the Siolo River, Northern Kenya.

The last Abyssinian stragglers, worn and weary, trickled over the frontier recently to come under their care.

The two women are Mrs. Bennett, superintendent, and Mrs. McKenna, the hospital superintendent and herself a qualified doctor.

They live in their husbands' tents. Mrs. McKenna has assumed responsibility for all the women and children. She has won the confidence of hundreds of orphaned children, and the ailing ones come without fear to her clinic daily.

The two women have organised a daily children's parade for the milk ration, when 2,000 children cheerfully line the river bank.

Mrs. McKenna has trained some of the elder girls as hospital nurses. The girls are very proud of their white uniforms with the red cross.

The camp site, which the British authorities in Kenya have provided for them, will be a jungle city when it is finished.

It is rectangular and the lanes are laid out on most modern lines. All able-bodied men are busy building new homes of primitive materials like tree-poles and grass.

Some are already finished and the interiors decorated with a few precious household goods saved from the wreckage of their homes in Abyssinia and carried thousands of weary miles to refuge.

About 175 wounded and ill are in the hospital, which was the first building put up by the British authorities. Most are recovering from disease caused by lack of food.

The jungle city will be the Abyssinian home for many months, until the British authorities decide what to do with them.

BENEFACTOR TO BRITAIN IN NAZI GAOL

A London report that the anonymous Hamburg merchant who in October endowed a German "Rhodes" scholarship is Herr Alfred C. Toeffer, who is now in gaol, has been confirmed in the following message.

Hamburg.

The anonymous founder of the annual scholarship enabling British students to enjoy a year's study in Germany is Herr Alfred C. Toeffer.

It is learned here that he has been in prison since charges of infringing the German currency regulations were brought against him and several members of his staff a fortnight ago.

Three other Hamburg business houses are involved in similar charges. They are Otto Emden and Co., the Norddeutsche Uebsee Gesellschaft and Haasens and Stuhl.

BRITISH FIRM TO BUY LEVIATHAN

FAMOUS LINER TO BE SCRAPPED

DEAL PRACTICALLY COMPLETED

New York.

The Leviathan, the famous 48,000-ton liner, which was taken over from Germany by the United States Government during the war, is likely to be sold for scrap to a British firm.

The deal has been practically completed. The papers are all ready to be signed as soon as the Maritime Commission in Washington gives its approval.

Small details remain to be settled, such as whether the ship will carry a cargo on her voyage to Britain, whether she will be manned by a British or American crew, and how soon she will be broken up.

This year Congress authorised the building of a successor to the Leviathan, which has been laid up for several years. Tenders were invited for the purchase of the liner as scrap, but none of the American bids reached the reserve price.

Mr. John Franklin, president of the International Mercantile Marine Corporation, which operated the Leviathan under Government mortgage, admitted recently that negotiations were in progress for the sale of the liner. Several offers, he said, had come from Britain.

Newspapers here have suggested that bids as high as £600,000 have been made, but brokers regard any such amount as ridiculously high.

SHIP WITH VARIED HISTORY

By A Shipping Correspondent

The Leviathan has had a chequered history. Built in Germany as the Vaterland, she went into service in 1914 and made several voyages before the outbreak of war caught her in New York.

There she lay until April, 1917, when, on the United States' declaration of war, she was taken over by the authorities and fitted out as a transport. She carried large numbers of American troops to Europe.

After the war she was reconditioned at great expense and put on the North Atlantic passenger service under the management of the United States Shipping Board. She never made her way and a few years ago was laid up.

When the Leviathan was overhauled after the war, it was claimed that her gross tonnage had been raised to 50,000 tons, which would have made her the largest ship in the world at that time. Actually, however, she was outclassed by the Mauretania, whose displacement—total weight of ship—was nearly 1,000 tons greater.

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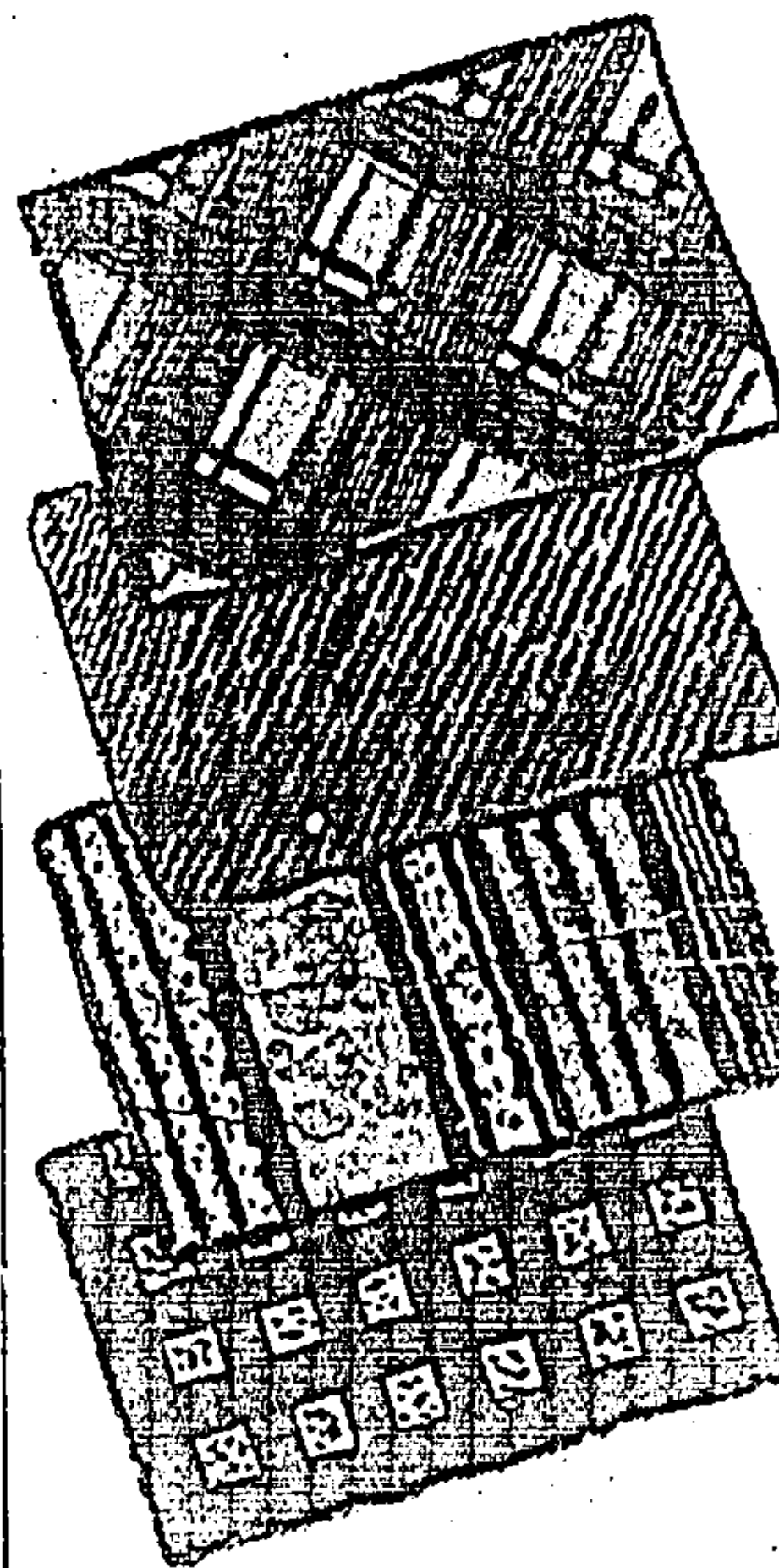
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I Stuart Taylor Williamson of Hongkong hereby give notice that I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the ship "HWAH CHONG" of Shanghai of gross tonnage 2,502.95 tons, register tonnage 1,445.57 tons, heretofore owned by The Nelson Steamship Co., Ltd., of Shanghai for the permission to change her name to "ASIAN" and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of Hongkong as owned by The Ling Nam Steamship Co., Ltd.

Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hongkong within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement.

(Signed) S. T. WILLIAMSON.
Hongkong, January 4, 1938.



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PACIFISM PLEA

An Issue For The Individual, Says Mr. Spreckley

International friendship and understanding on the basis of humanity's equality was advanced by Mr. David Spreckley, Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong branch of the League of Nations, when he spoke yesterday at an international tea party arranged by the P.P.U. in Lane-Crawford's "Peacock Room."

Mr. Spreckley argued that pacifism was a subject for the individual, and it was the individual's attitude to, and his relationship with, his fellow-men which must determine the issue between peace and war. They in the P.P.U. were convinced that the idea "My country, always right," was wrong, for the use of force and the chances of understanding the other person's point of view.

They were convinced, that war could never bring about peace, because it was not possible to produce good from evil by the use of more evil. They believed that fundamental to the entire human race was good and it was for the individual to approach his fellowman in that spirit, determined to find the good within him.

They renounced war and participation in it as an instrument of murder. They asked for the individual to create for himself a new attitude to the question of man's relationship with man.

Mrs. V. C. Labrum presided over the gathering which was well attended by several nationalities. Mr. Spreckley had outlined the ideals of the P.P.U. he faced a barrage of questions, tackling them resolutely.

During the tea the hosts and their guests discussed the many problems which are conflicting in the minds of all thinking people to-day.

The P.P.U. hopes to arrange further gatherings of this nature in the immediate future.

SUETSUGU'S VIEWS CLASH WITH AVOWED POLICY

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The International Settlement, but they must first take over the Government of China which leased the Settlement to Britain, America and other Powers.

"Admiral Suetsugu says the mercantile interests of the white race must melt before the sun of the Japanese invasion. The economic strength of Japan is greater than anyone can imagine. The first part of that statement," says the Daily Express, "is unlikely; the second part untrue."

The Birmingham Post says that British Ministers have no desire to squabble over the future of the temperate outbursts of excited Japanese patriots, but it would be difficult to overlook this egregious challenge coming from a Japanese Minister.

"Not Surprising"

The influential Yorkshire Post states that from the outset of the Japanese invasion the Japanese have been seeking to secure the Japanese would seek one means or another to obtain possession of the International Settlement, which apart from the intrinsic wealth, holds the key to trade and finance of the Yangtze. Hence there is nothing surprising in the Japanese charge of lack of efficiency of the Settlement police, though, as all the world is aware, the charge is a monstrous perversion of the facts.

"If the Japanese," the paper continues, "expect that economic exploitation of China cannot be effected by brute force, they are destined eventually to be undeceived at great cost to themselves. Military occupation, even sketchily, of the whole of the Chinese coastal area must involve an enormous and very costly effort."

In Japan's own interests it must be hoped that authority will yet be recovered by those Japanese with international experience, who have learnt that not the display or exercise of force, but the creation of friendly confidence is the only means of inducing friendly co-operation. In business circles with interests in China there is the Japanese semi-official wireless news to-day describes the Suetsugu interview as grossly misquoted and misrepresented, and tones down the whole statement.

As regards the Japanese demand for Shanghai confidence is expressed that the British and American Governments will promptly take the matter up with Tokyo. It is pointed out that private advices from Shanghai suggest that the Japanese authorities have been trying to show regard for foreign interests.

Tokyo Anxiety

The usually well-informed Vernon Bartlett, of the News Chronicle, says, "Various reports to London from the Far East emphasise both the growing anxiety of the Japanese, including even the military in Tokyo, to avoid further incidents involving foreign interests, and Chinese confidence that they can hold roughly on the present lines for a very considerable period." No information has yet been received by the Foreign Office about the new Japanese demands regarding the International Settlement.

It is pointed out that the Japanese, for several years, have been seeking greater representation on the Municipal Council.

It is surmised that the Council has communicated the demands to the consular authorities. It is expected that these demands, which might affect the interests of other countries, such as the request to alter the land regulations, will be submitted to the governments concerned before the Council answers—Reuters.

DEGREES CONFERRED AT UNIVERSITY

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only be created and sustained effectively by the presence within the community of a body of men and women who will continuously devote themselves to its propagation; and in my view the proper training ground of that body is already here and, so far as they go, studied here and, so far as they go, very properly. But the subject as a whole does not yet have attention to the extent which it deserves. I hope, be found possible to intensify and expand this very important side of the University's medical education.

I doubt whether there is any greater service which the University could render to the Colony, and through its work to the Colony, to China, where these problems exist to an even greater degree than they do in Hongkong.

Training of Teachers

I was deeply impressed by what the Vice-Chancellor said at a recent meeting of the Council about the training of teachers. There is no doubt with touch upon the subject, but it was clear from his few words that here again development is called for. The Committee commented somewhat to the same effect.

It is the responsibility of the shoulders of those who have to teach each rising generation how to live as good citizens. It is obvious that those teachers must themselves have the best possible training. Now that the Director of Education has returned from leave it is my intention to appoint a small committee to investigate this very important question.

I turn for a moment to a material need of the University which is becoming more and more urgent yearly. In 1921 there were two women students, five years ago there were 25, last year there were 80. So far, excellent importance of women's education cannot easily be over-estimated; but the education that is being given to our women students is very gravely handicapped and in some ways negatively by the non-existence, except for a small provision made by the Church Missionary Society, of a hostel in which they could be housed collectively.

They on the one hand they are without the discipline and tutelage which are essential conditions of sound student life, and on the other they are deprived of the experience and stimulus to which the horizon of life in University colleges. No friend or body of friends of this University could raise a more honourable monument, thereby winning the gratitude of the students of this day and the reverence of those who will come after them, than by the gift of a Hostel for Women Students and I commend the thought earnestly to the citizens of Hongkong. (Applause.)

Physical Training

In one respect, I am advised, student life at the University must be quickened and that is by devoting a little more time and thought to collective Physical Training. As is well known, modern thought to-day, in recognition of a very ancient maxim, puts into practice a growingly closer alliance between the mind and the body, and it would be wise for the University to encourage the same idea here. More than two thousand years ago Plato urged that the cultivation of a healthy body was the duty of every right-minded citizen, and his words have lost no force or truth in the years between. This is, essentially, a matter for discussion and development in the University Union. If a practical scheme for some form of competition between hostels could be worked out, women students perhaps being regarded as forming one hostel, I should consider it a privilege to be allowed to offer a prize for an annual contest of that nature. (Applause.)

Before I end this address I would like to render a tribute to those members of this University who engage themselves in social activities in the interest of other less fortunate than themselves. I refer, of course, to the Education Society, the Medical Society, the Christian Association and the other bodies within the University which have as their aim the betterment of the poorest classes of the community. Their service of love builds better than they know; for love alone is creative and ever transcends its conscious objectives.

Word on The War

I would also add a word of appreciation and thanks to those who recently organised the Chinese Art Exhibition in the University's Library. It gave delight and instruction to many and is, I am glad to think, to be succeeded by more intensive exhibitions of particular forms of art in their various periods. I would add that the Hongkong University, following the example of older foundations of its kind, is always willing to house valuable books, pictures and other works of Chinese art and culture in its library.

The Vice-Chancellor has already mentioned Sir William Hornell's generous gift and two loaned collections of valuable books and I add my thanks and appreciation to his.

The New Year has opened for China in no happy mood. There is none here who does not hope and pray that Peace with Honour may descend upon her. When this University was founded one of its principal ideals was that of helping the great and ancient land, a tiny fragment of whose former territory it occupies. Every Chinese man or woman who by cultivation of mind and body fits himself or herself for a higher life in truth, though it may be imperceptibly, helping to realise that ideal.

Though the New Year leave that thought with the students of the University at this critical time. (Applause.)

His Excellency then declared the Congregation closed.

RELENTLESS DRIVE FOR STRATEGIC CITY

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arriving at Wuhu, the Chinese raiders found one Japanese machine gun landing and five stationary in the air field. All six were destroyed when the Chinese pilots looted 70 bombs on the aerodrome.

It is also officially confirmed in the Chinese quarters that during the Chinese raid on Wuhu on January 3, original plans destroyed two Japanese warships, described as "large gunboats."—United Press.

Japanese Ammunition Seized

Chengchow, Jan. 6. Three truckloads of Japanese ammunition were seized by Chinese troops at Chengchowling near Taming in southern Hops, according to information received here.

Japanese troops movements in southern Hops have been much accelerated during the last few days. The Japanese force at Taming has been increased to 1,300, while the enemy garrison at Lungwangming, five miles to the south, now numbers 700 men.—Central News.

Duke Kung Escapes

Hankow, Jan. 6. Kung Teh-chou, the 77th lineal descendant of Confucius, who, it was previously rumoured, was Japanese candidate as Emperor of China, will arrive at Hankow very shortly at the invitation of the Chinese Government.

"Duke Kung" left Chufu, the birthplace of his distinguished ancestor, to escape the Japanese occupation of the town, evidently not relishing the prospect of becoming a second Mr. Pu Yi, now Emperor of Manchukuo.

In this connection it is recalled that Confucianism, which the Kuomintang regarded unfavourably since its inception, returned to favour in 1935, when prominent party leaders offered salaries at the tomb of Confucius, after which Kung Teh-chou was given an official post and received a pension from the National Government.—United Press.

Szechuan Food Problem

Hankow, Jan. 6. The Szechuan province, at present the goal of thousands of refugees from China, is attempting to increase its food production in order to provide for the increased population.

In this connection many old cemeteries are being levelled and turned into grainfields. It is estimated that this will increase the acreage under grain by at least ten per cent.

The wasteful practice of each household burying dead in its own fields, which means there is an increasing encroachment on the farmland, is forbidden in several districts. The Szechuan population will in future be encouraged to eat coarse brown, instead of white polished rice, firstly because it contains more nutriment, and secondly because it is estimated polished rice loses five per cent of its weight, which means a loss of 20,000 tons of rice annually.—United Press.

Yuhsein—Captured

Peiping, Jan. 6. A refugee from Yuhsein, south-west China, to-day related how 1,000 Japanese and Mongol troops from Tating last week captured Yuhsein, which the Eighth Route Army had held for two months.—United Press.

Foreign travellers from Mongolia said to-day that Soviet scouting planes had been seen as far south as Prince Te's palace.

However, there is no indication that Soviet aerial or land activity in this area is pending.—United Press.

WEATHER PUTS MEN OUT OF WORK

London, Jan. 5. The unemployed in Britain on December 13, 1937 had increased by 100,000 compared with the previous month, the total being 1,665,000. A substantial part in the decline of employment is officially ascribed to the severe weather on the day in December the count was taken, which interrupted work in outdoor occupations.—Reuter Bulletin.

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York, Dec. 5. The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange are issued by Reuter:

New York Cotton	Opening	Closing
January	8.50/36	8.53/33
March	8.45/40	8.38/38
May	8.53/54	8.46/47
July	8.60/50	8.55/50
October	8.65/64	8.60/60
December	8.70/60	8.63/63
Spot		8.48

New York Rubber	14.55/54	14.43/43
March	14.69/67	14.52/52
July	14.77/77	14.65/65
September	14.88/88	14.76/75
December		14.90/90

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now	Sales for the day:—2,580 tons.	

		Chicago Wheat	
May	94/03	93
July	8 1/2/00 1/2	87
Sept.	—	00
Monday's Sales:—32,647,000 b			
		Chicago Corn	
May	02 3/4/63	62
July	02 3/4/62 1/4	61

POST OFFICE.

BROADCAST RECEIVING LICENCES

Holders of licences are reminded that if it is desired to continue to retain possession of the apparatus after the date of expiration of the licence a renewal must be effected without delay.

As from January 3, 1938, New Licences will be available at the Government Radio Office, G.P.O. Building, First Floor, on ordinary business days, and will be issued against the receipt of a remittance of \$12, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. except on Saturdays when licences will be issued between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Applications may be made:

- (a) personally,
- (b) by messenger,
- (c) by post.

It is essential under (c) and preferable under (a) and (b) that applications should be accompanied by crossed cheque payable to Hongkong Government. The new licence will then be sent by post or messenger as soon as it is ready. Where actual cash is tendered a new licence should be received in exchange before leaving the Licensing Office.

In the case of renewal the old licence should be returned with the application.

HONGKONG RADIO TELEGRAPH SERVICE

XLT Telegrams conveying New Year Greetings will be accepted by the Radio Office for transmission via Radio up to to-day, January 6, 1938.

(a) The charge for telegrams to places in China will be based on One Fourth of the ordinary rate and to other places on One Third of the ordinary rate.

(b) The minimum charge for all places will be for ten words.

Further particulars may be obtained on application at the Radio Office.

SHANGHAI AIR SERVICE

Air Mail Service to Shanghai is temporarily suspended.

VIA SIBERIA ROUTE

Letters and Postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Date
Straits and Hainan	Arriving	January 6
Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 9th December, and London Parcels—London date, 2nd December, 1937.	Arriving	January 6
Swatow	Chitral	January 6
Manila	Nanning	January 6
Japan and Shanghai	Potsdam	January 6
Shanghai and Swatow	Rawalpindi	January 6
Japan	Szechuen	January 6
Bangkok and Swatow	Patroclus	January 7
Australia and Manila	Kwaiyang	January 7
Japan	Taipei	January 7
Saloon	Taihybun	January 7
Hainan	Andre Lebon	January 8
Hainan	G. G. Paul Doumer	January 8
Japan	Rakuyo Maru	January 8
Straits	Conte Biancamano	January 9
Japan	Hakodate Maru	January 9
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	Mausang	January 9
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways direct Service"—London date, 29th December.	Pan-American Airways Plane	January 9
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 1st January.	Achilles	January 10
Japan and Shanghai	Durban Maru	January 10
Java and Manila	Imperial Airways Plane	January 10
Straits	Patroclus	January 11
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Manila	Tsingtau	January 11
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Manila	Van Heutz	January 11
Amoy	Pres. Jackson	January 12
Japan	Chengtu	January 13
Japan	Tsindori	January 13
Japan	Yasukuni Maru	January 13
Straits	Hakozaki Maru	January 14

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Swatow and Wuchow	Taming	Thurs., Jan. 6, 8.15 a.m.
Amoy and (Fochow and via Amoy)	Shirala	Thurs., Jan. 6, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Sochow	Thurs., Jan. 6, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for Chungking by the C.N.A.C. Plane	Thurs., Jan. 6	
"C.N.A.C." Airways direct Service.	Kowloon	Thurs., Jan. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Thurs., Jan. 6, 5 p.m.
	G. P. O.	Thurs., Jan. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Thurs., Jan. 7, 6 a.m.
Friday		
Swatow and Wuchow	Kong Ning	Fri., Jan. 7, 8.15 a.m.
Swatow	Kingyuan	Fri., Jan. 7, 8.30 a.m.
Air Mail for Siam, Lanchow and Eurasia Plane	Fri., Jan. 7	
Chengtu, etc. (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (for further notice by surface transport as Services permit).	Reg.	Fri., Jan. 7, 9 a.m.
Kongmoon	On Lee	Fri., Jan. 7, 10.00 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Chitral	Fri., Jan. 7, 10.30 a.m.
*Straits and Calcutta	Kutsang	Fri., Jan. 7

DEGREES CONFERRED AT UNIVERSITY

High Tributes Paid To Past Vice-Chancellor

The twenty-ninth congregation of the Hongkong University for the conferring of degrees was held yesterday when His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, acted for the first time in this function in his capacity of Chancellor.

Mr. D. J. Sloss, C.B.E., M.A., referred to the lack of a hostel for the girl students, who had increased in numbers, and the insufficiency of playing fields generally. In a generous tribute to his predecessor, Mr. Sloss mentioned that a considerable number of books had been donated to the University by Sir William Hornell.

The Chancellor made a studied reference to the deliberations of the Committee which recently published recommendations for changes in the University administration, but laid most stress on the need for greater attention to the teaching of hygiene and the need for accommodation for girl students.

The University's great annual event was favoured by the weather, and many took tea in the grounds before the opening of the congregation. The Band of the 1st Battalion, Middlesex Regiment, playing selections, by kind permission of Lieut. Col. O. B. Tidbury, M.C., and Officers.

Seating and standing space inside the Great Hall was fully occupied, long before 5 p.m. Lady Northcote, Mrs. Batholomew and Lady MacGregor being among the ladies present.

The Procession marshalled in the robing room soon after the Chancellor arrived and then, led by the Mace Bearer, walked through the cloisters, up the Great Hall and on to the dais where members took their seats.

The Chancellor declared the Congregation open, and the Vice-Chancellor made the opening address. Mr. Sloss said: It has been customary for the Vice-Chancellor to make a comment upon the events of the preceding year. As I have been here only two months, I cannot do this, and therefore I shall

sensibly undesirable, that this higher number should be maintained. Among other changes in the University, one to which I wish to call attention, is that from June 1938 the University will hold its own Matriculation Examination. I am not sure, even now, that we, any more than British Universities, have put ourselves right in relation to the school system with which we are concerned.

A Sports Gift

Students' interest in games is maintained, but is hindered by insufficiency of playing grounds. This applies particularly to tennis. I am, therefore, the more grateful to Mr. Eu Tong-sen for his gift to provide a new tennis court, and to Mr. Sum Pak-ming who has agreed to bear the cost of adapting the basketball court that he gave so that it may be used both in that game and as a tennis court. Mr. Eu Tong-sen's gift was the more welcome as it was entirely unsolicited and arose out of his interest in students' games. He has already given a gymnasium which is a good deal used and still is by no means used to the fullest extent. (Applause).

Sir William's Gift

The General Library of the University has been enriched by a gift of about 2,000 volumes from Sir William Hornell. Many of the books in Sir William's gift would now be difficult to obtain, and they increase the value of the Library. The Chinese Library has also found friends. Two large collections of good books, some in rare editions, have recently been lent from Canton for long periods of use in this Library. In all the two collections comprise about 30,000 volumes.

I have mentioned Sir William Hornell's gift of books, but the greatest gift he left the University was the memory of his geniality and unending kindness, which endeared him to a wide circle of friends and, not least, to the students of this University. One of the oldest of Sir William's colleagues writes of him:

"During his thirteen years of office as Vice-Chancellor Sir William Hornell had many perplexities and problems to face. Throughout all these difficulties he always tried to do whatever he could to make members of his staff more efficient at their work and more contented in their conditions of service."

A Fine Influence

"Sir William fully realized and insisted that a University must stand for the spirit of original investigation and research as well as for teaching. And he also favoured the policy of encouraging and helping members of the staff to attend scientific conferences in other parts of the world and to travel for purposes of study. Sir William always made great personal efforts to see that the grounds where so many of the members of the staff and so many students resided should be healthy and beautiful as the natural conditions permitted; and all who have lived in the University are in his debt."

"Sir William's hospitality was widely known. His genial and cheery inspiration as host, and the mellowing influence of the finest hospitality to be enjoyed in the Far East, had a unifying and strengthening influence in the University. His fondness of children and young people—to whom he often played the part of 'fairy god-mother'—greatly endeared him to his friends." (Applause).

Previous Achievements

This is the judgment of a man who worked with him for 13 years. To this I would like to add a few words to recall Sir William's eminent services to education before he came here—the achievements, in fact, which were the cause of his coming to Hongkong. He entered the Education Service early in life and after seven years distinguished work in Bengal, he was recalled to the Board of Education in London where he worked in the Department of Special Enquiries and Reports with distinguished colleagues such as Sir Frank Heath and Mr. C. W. Twentyman. He returned to India in 1913 as Director of Public Instruction in Bengal. Under extremely difficult

political conditions, the Department for which he was responsible made remarkable progress. He had a share in bringing to India a Commission to consider the affairs of the University of Calcutta—the most distinguished commission of enquiry into educational matters that has yet visited the Far East. He was a member of that Commission, and in the final report prepared under the direction of Sir Michael Sadler, the Chairman, the hand of Hornell is easily perceptible.

Story of Transition

It is not for me to try to estimate the work that he did in Hongkong after those distinguished years in India. The history of this University has been a story of transitions from crisis to crisis, and Sir William Hornell's days were not peaceful, but since I came here, I have never heard a word of criticism that did not begin by assuming Hornell's zeal for sound University standards and his unfailing goodness of heart. (Applause).

The Deans of the Faculties of Medicine, Engineering, and Arts then presented their graduates in succession, and the Chancellor conferred the respective degrees on each graduate, as they stepped forward with new honours, and afterwards shook hands with each of them.

The Vice-Chancellor next read out the names of students in absence on whom degrees were conferred, and presented the scholarship winners, with whom the Chancellor also shook hands.

Chancellor's Address

His Excellency said: The past year has been notably eventful. During its passage the University lost a Chancellor in Sir Andrew Caldecott who, though the tenure of his office was short, took a step of great moment in the direction of the University's future. Secondly a Vice-Chancellor, who for twelve years had served the University faithfully and well, left its halls.

Mr. Sloss, the Vice-Chancellor, has just spoken of Sir William Hornell's many services to education in India, in the United Kingdom and here in Hongkong. To that well deserved tribute I, who saw but little of him, cannot add much of value, but I can testify on the evidence of the few days during which our residence in Hongkong overlapped that he carried with him the gratitude and affection of a host of colleagues and students, past and present, and their warm good wishes for many years of health and happiness in retirement.

Sir William's place has been worthily filled by a Vice-Chancellor whose ripe experience makes him peculiarly welcome at the present juncture. As for the new Chancellor I undertake that among his short-comings there shall not be found any lack of zeal for his charge. (Applause).

Committee's Report

The step taken by my predecessor of which mention has just been made was, of course, the appointment of a Committee whose very wide terms of reference directed them to investigate the present and future of the University. The Committee pointed especially to the other that aspect but included many members. Though they are sure to be varying opinions upon the value of certain individual suggestions contained within it, the report produced by the Committee cannot fail to impress upon the minds of all who study it the courage and vision with which its members fulfilled their task; and as Chancellor I take this opportunity to acknowledge my high appreciation of the unsparing devotion with which four very busy men applied themselves to their task and of the lucidity and logic which generally illuminate their recommendations.

Their report is, I understand, now before the Senate for consideration. It contains, however, many suggestions and recommendations concerning finance and organization which pertain to the Finance Committee and the Council rather than to the Senate and I trust that these will be

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dealt with by the former authorities, while those concerning the curriculum are being considered by the latter.

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Certain of them, for example the advice to invest most of the Superannuation Fund in the general funds of the University, appear to me to be non-controversial and to call for immediate implementation. It is not to be inferred from that that I think that the decisions of the University authorities should be hurried. It is, of course, highly desirable both for financial and administrative reasons that the University's house should be set in order as circumstances allow. On the other hand, apart from the prime necessity of giving a new Vice-Chancellor space for full investigation of the manifold issues raised in the report, the whole matter is of such fundamental importance that there should be no suggestion of undue haste in translating it into action.

One last point in this connection. It is not without significance that the Committee, though composed of four members of the University's Council, was appointed by Sir Andrew in his capacity as Governor of the Colony. It has been referred by the Government to the University authorities and it lies within the latter's competence to achieve the purposes which the Committee set out to investigate. It is my confident hope that when in due course those authorities make answer to that reference it will be evident that there is no need for further action on the Government's part.

Living Healthily

It may seem somewhat inconsistent with what has just been said if I make a suggestion which, if it were to be adopted, would involve the University in an increase of expenditure, though not a very serious one. Notwithstanding the unquestionable need for economy I feel that the living conditions of the poorer classes in this Colony, both urban and rural, are such as to justify me in expressing the hope that the University will be able to find means to widen the scope of its teaching in respect of Public Health. Sir William Peel drew attention to this need in his Chancellor's speech in 1933, and the state of many parts of Victoria cannot be said to be better to-day than was the case then; indeed, so far as over-crowding goes it is considerably worse, while in the country villages human existence is carried on with little or no knowledge or consideration of the basic rules of hygiene. There can be no study of greater value to living men than how to live healthily, and to that end it is necessary that in every community there should grow up a universal awareness of the fundamental importance of nutrition, housing, town planning, sanitation and so forth. That compliance can

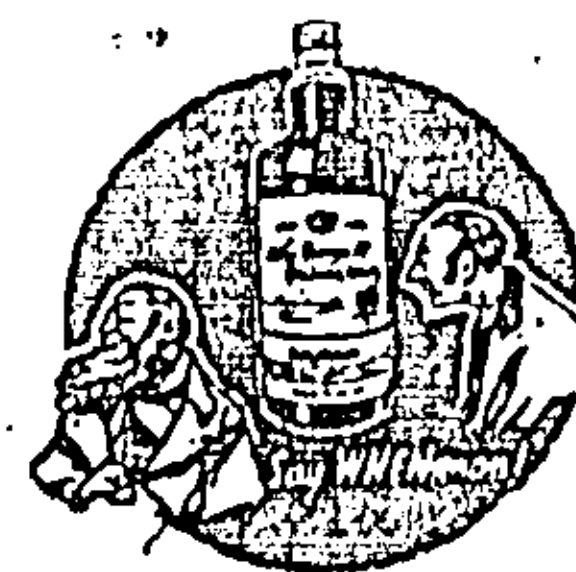
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CENSORS TREAD ON SHANGHAI TOES

So far unexplained, and seemingly unwarranted, the Japanese military authorities' action in Shanghai in placing censors in all cable offices in the International Settlement can be expected to cause something of a stir. If the appointment of censors by the Japanese to act in the Chinese Government radio offices was not altogether surprising, this latest development is a very different matter. The cable offices affected are operated by foreign-owned companies of neutral nationality and they are on neutral soil. The Japanese action would appear to be a denial of that neutrality. There can be little more excuse for the Japanese placing censors in the cable offices of the Settlement than in cable offices in any other neutral port. Moreover, the Settlement itself established a censorship in 1932, and as far as Hongkong authorities are aware that system was still in operation when the Japanese usurped the responsibility of authorised officials.

The effect of this censorship will not be immediately apparent, perhaps; for fortunately there seems no likelihood of the employees of the cable offices refusing to work under such circumstances, as did the staffs of the Chinese Government in the International Radio Offices. Were such a stoppage to materialise in the cable offices it would be serious indeed.

Meanwhile, because the Japanese censors walked into the Chinese radio offices and the staffs walked out, the twelve Shanghai wireless stations are silent. This throws an additional burden on the cable companies, and already they are burdened enough, what with faulty connections and no cable ship yet available to effect repairs. The ship is on her way, however.

If there is any further interference with Shanghai's communications and any serious inconvenience to business, the reaction will unquestionably be directed against the Japanese who are insisting upon this ap-

he said. I had seen that Martin was reading Stuart Gelder's article "You Coward!" (which gave the view of a young wife who was upbraiding her husband for wavering in his allegiance to a peace pledge.) I had put the paper down and was thinking about what she said. "Don't you agree?" he said. "I wish I could." "You surely don't support the idea of war?" He's twenty-two, just getting his teeth into a decent job in an underwriter's office. There's a girl, too. I didn't quite know what to say. I could see he was half on fire about it. He said: "Hang it all, you know what war is. You were in it. You've said a dozen times you'd have to be fetched between fixed bayonets next time." "I know." I was feeling pretty miserable.

HE said: "You've said: 'Make the slightest concession that you'll fight for this or that and you'll be caught—caught in the same old filthy, murderous and futile business, killing decent ordinary folk with whom you've no sort of quarrel.'" "Yes." "Well? Are you going back on it?" "It's not so easy as it was." "The propaganda's got you—as you said it might if you deviated an inch." He was a bit scornful. "Look here, Martin," I said. "Are you happy about what happened to Abyssinia and about what's happening in China?" "Happy?"

"Does any means suggest itself to you of stopping militarists from doing what they're doing except by force?" He said: "What good would killing decent Italians do? Would you burn up a child in Tokyo for one destroyed in Nanking? Would you sack Yokohama to set off the destruction of Shanghai? An eye for an

parently unreasonable censorship.

Meanwhile, according to messages from London, the recent remarks of Admiral Nobumasa Suetsugu, the new Japanese Interior Minister, have caused a stir in England. Speaking of the continued assistance which China is receiving from foreign powers in resistance to the Japanese invasion, Admiral Suetsugu is reported to have declared that such sources of supply would have to be cut off. In this connection he observed: "If Japan comes to clash with Great Britain that cannot be helped." Such words can be interpreted in at least two ways; and either way they are disquieting. If Admiral Suetsugu is merely expressing a fatalistic indifference to such a development as that he mentions, it would seem to indicate a lack of vigour; for statesmen, we have been taught to suppose, at least attempt to be the masters of their country's fate. In another light the remarks of the Minister might be interpreted as threatening. It is reported that His Majesty's Government will press for an explanation. But it is likely developments, more than any words, will illuminate the Japanese policy with respect to Great Britain and her lawful intercourse with China.

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eye—that ancient devil's argument?"

"It's no good, Martin, abusing me. I may be stupid. I'm the war generation. I've been through all you're going through. I've run the whole gamut from going to France holding ideals to coming back worn out in body and spirit, disillusioned, cursing patriotism, nationalism and the rest of it. I've lived through several phases."

"And now you've returned to your beginning, fine ideals—ideals for war again, bands playing, marching men." He was bitter.

"I'm not back to my beginning," I said.

"How far off?" "For one thing," I said, "there's a fresh idea in the world that didn't exist in 1914—collective security."

"War for a new ideal, eh? 'War to end war' under another slogan; the same firm in new premises?"

"You can say that, of course. Don't think I'm happy about it. My common sense—won't let me. The wife in the article we've been reading thinks if we did nothing, didn't resist at all, the invaders would feel so ridiculous they'd pack up and go home."

"Can you see it happening? The conquerors of the richest country in the world, of the greatest Empire, feeling so foolish and mortified by reigning over a quarter of the globe, and so bored because we don't shoot at them, that they run back whence they came."

"You're gibing," he said. "No. I can respect the hearts of the extreme pacifists, but I can't stand with their heads. It's too easy. They don't face facts."

"That's what Diehards always say." "You're gibing now. I'm as far removed from a Diehard as—well, as you are. The belief that the world was ready for a new age wherein war would be banished has faded, that's all. Perhaps we expected too much. Eighteen years since the last

It's not really very long in history—not long for all men everywhere to have reached sanity."

"Do you think anybody except and beyond the out-and-out pacifists have reached it?"

"Yes, I think so. I think all those men who have decided to hold together in the building of peace and, if the need arises, to fight together against the breaker of peace in order that he may be crushed swiftly—I think all those have reached sanity."

"YOU think there are things worth going to war for?"

"I'm almost grieved to say it, Martin—but I do."

"You really believe a League of Nations war would be different from any other? Any more justified than any other? The slaughter, maiming, poisoning, burning—would be the same." "No—not the same, not in degree or purpose—only beginning at all if a vast number of countries had sat as a jury and decided who was to blame, had done their utmost to persuade the aggressor to arbitrate, had been repulsed—and had then, combining their mighty authority, decided to crush swiftly and as mercifully as could be, the nation behaving brutally and acting wantonly."

He said: "If a man's dead, he's dead. If a child's blinded, it's blinded. Nothing can justify it. Life's sacred."

"Ought to be. To militarists it isn't. Don't you see there'll be no peace and quiet so long as murder can be done without a hand being lifted. You don't get respect from Al Capone by putting your hands up. England is peaceful and safe because we won't tolerate gangsters with sawn-off shot-guns. Why has liberty vanished from Germany and Italy and Russia? Because people aren't ready to give their lives for it—not enough people."

"Is that another thing you're prepared to go to war for—liberty?"

"You make me feel like hell, Martin. But yes, it is."

"There isn't a good general—Hamilton, Allenby and the rest—not one of 'em who hasn't denounced war," he said.

"That's right. I denounce it too. So does everybody. But face the old generals with a dictator running amok. They wouldn't hesitate again."

"You don't deny that most people in all nations are good, decent people?"

"No, I don't deny that. But if they're so misled and misguided as to be doing devil's work, the agents of a criminal, they've got to be dealt with."

"Even with bombs and bayonets and gas, I suppose."

"Even so, if there's no other way—until such time as they come to their senses."

"YOU've given up hope," he said. "Arm to the teeth, outdo every other nation—bigger guns, more planes, more men-o'-war, worse gas. That's it, eh?"

"I profoundly believe that would be it," I said, "unless we stand with all other law-abiding nations to create a new league for peace, so determined to act and so ready to act that nobody dare start war wantonly as a condemned aggressor. With nations ready to pool their forces the need for swollen armaments disappears."

"And supposing," he said, "we find ourselves involved in a war that isn't approved or sponsored by the League—a war arising from imperialistic or national aims."

"Then I don't fight. So long as the League exists, I don't fight unless the League has failed to settle the dispute by argument and by economic sanctions and has approved war."

"I fear that will never come to pass," he said. "The League will never have the courage or unity. So you will never fight."

"I hope it will never be necessary, but if the League does function that way, I shall find myself marching again. And I'm driven to this conclusion too—that unless enough of us make it clear what we are prepared to do in dire need, and talk less about what we won't do, war will come steadily closer."

"It will be the same as last time," he said. "It will demand more courage to refuse to fight than to go."

"Perhaps," I said. "But you know there were times when it wasn't so pleasant to sit tight in trenches, either. It's nearly as easy to over-praise as to under-praise the men who stay at home."

He got out of the bus. "So long," he said. "I shall keep out of it."

"Unless I'm sadly wrong about you, Martin, you won't—not if it starts. Darned few of us will. We wobbled into the last war. We shall only steer clear and steer civilisation clear by making it plain which road we're taking. And that's the League road whatever the consequences. It mayn't mean safety all the way but the destination is all right."

The bus was moving again. "Telegraph," Page 8, yesterday.

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memories of my boyhood holidays there. An avenue over a quarter of a mile long ran from the house down to the main road. At the house end of this avenue were two large chestnut trees.

My brother and I "owned" one each, and many a time did we climb into their swaying heights, and pelt visitors from our strongholds, using the beautiful shiny nuts for those we liked, and the prickly husks for an occasional one who was maybe not a favourite.

We built nests away up there, where we could read, and could even have slept in safety if we had ever wanted to do such a thing. At a bend in the avenue was the "spy-tree" from which we could see to either end from the house gate, to where the avenue joined the main road. From this tree, too, we could get a glimpse of the road about a mile away, and we always watched that point for the last waves from a departed friend, or for the first sign of recognition on many a joyful arrival. I have not seen those trees for many a year, but I bear them in mind for the sake of those times, and I shall not forget them any more than I shall forget my human friends.

Coe

"The Oxygen of Civilisation Necessary For the Lungs of Abyssinians" ITALY ACCUSED BY HER OWN FILM

IRONY OF ETHIOPIAN WAR PICTURES

(By A Film Critic)

The Film Society has produced a dramatic and terribly ironic documentation of the Italian invasion of Abyssinia.

It has been achieved by dovetailing the official film glorifying Italian arms under the title of "The Path of the Heroes" with a film made by two Russian cameramen on much more simple lines and bearing the title "Abyssinia."

Having been shown in the Russian picture something of the peace-time lives of the amiable and placid Abyssinians, we pass to an elaborate Italian sequence and see the tremendous concentration of activities in preparation for the campaign.

"Confident of its courage and conscious of its civilising mission," says the Italian commentator, the force moves on.

"OXYGEN OF CIVILISATION"

And then, disturbed by the scope and immensity of these wonderfully organised preliminaries, we are taken back to Abyssinia to observe, incidentally, the calm dignity of the Emperor and to contemplate with dismay the pitifully inadequate resources of the coloured warriors as they mobilise to meet the face of whose strength and remorselessness they can have little conception.

There follows more of the Italian might, bringing inexorably nearer to the Abyssinians what the super-charged commentator calls "the oxygen of civilisation necessary to enable their lungs to breathe more fully."

Here Italian road-making has a marvellous demonstration. The claim that the Italian forces, "with truly Roman energy, are performing a miracle whereby new roads seem to be born as the wheels go over them," is a pardonable extravagance in the circumstances.

BOMBING THE RED CROSS

The menace of this grim, advancing strength gives a deeper poignancy to the spectacle of the poorly equipped Abyssinians moving up bravely to the front, where they are inspired by the presence of the Emperor himself. Aeroplanes, guns, and tanks are all massed against them.

"For the first time in history," says the Italian commentator, "whole detachments were led by aircraft squadrons."

We see later the bombing of the British Red Cross in Abyssinia and the damage to a prominently displayed cross itself.

There are clusters of the primitive native dwellings bombed and in flames, and so on.

The only wounded Italians shown are those travelling comfortably from the firing line by car and aeroplane.

AID FOR REFUGEE FUND
The double film winds up with scenes of wild rejoicing in Rome, a review and a speech (delivered presumably by Mussolini himself) telling the populace again of the glory of victory.

On Sunday, December 19, the Emperor Haile Selassie himself saw these pictures in the Regal, Marble Arch, on the occasion of a gathering in aid of the Refugee Fund.

"MR. PRESIDENT I'M IN LOVE..."

Real-life glamour as well as the glamour of the stage is shown in this letter which pretty eighteen-year-old Grace McDonald, of New York, has sent to Mr. Roosevelt.

"Dear Mr. President,—I am in love with a young man, Bradford Greene, who has written the music for a musical play on Broadway and is about to be one of the most successful composers in the country.

"However, last year when the play did not seem as though it was going to be sold, Brad enlisted in the navy, and it means six years, and besides now that success is on our doorstep we would rather be together."

"Mr. President, there must be something you can do to get Brad out of the Navy."

Toast Of "The King" Is Left Out

Calcutta. The toast of "The King" was omitted recently when a banquet was given in Calcutta to Professor Syed Hussain, of California, under the chairmanship of the Hindu peer, Lord Sinha.

Instead of toasting the King, the Premier of Bengal, Mr. A. L. Fazlul-Huq, proposed "India."

Mm! This Is Good!



Happy Photograph taken at K.C.C. Children's Party.—Staff Photographer.

MARY PICKFORD IS HOLDING UP HUGE FILM DEAL

—Reports Hollywood

Mary Pickford, reported from Hollywood to be opposing the \$1,200,000 Goldwyn-Korda film deal, is said to have telephoned her former husband, Mr. Douglas Fairbanks, Senior, who is now in London.

"Doug" is stated to have urged her to accept a new offer for the control of the United Artists' Corporation, at present held by "Doug," Mary and Charlie Chaplin.

Hollywood trade circles believe that the big deal will not go through owing to Miss Pickford's attitude on an alternative proposal, different from the offer made to her by Alexander Korda last summer.

CHAPLIN MAY BUY

The new offer, it is stated, would leave Goldwyn and Korda ample funds to finance productions with the money so far obtained.

Under the original plan no money would have been available, as the option was due to expire on December 15.

Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks, senior, once known as "Hollywood's ideal couple," were divorced in January, 1935.

In March, 1936, Mr. Fairbanks married Lady Ashley (formerly Sylvia Hawkes, the actress); and last June Miss Pickford married Charles ("Buddy") Rogers, the dance band leader.—Reuter.

DOCTOR'S "REMORSE" Killed Himself After Confession to Wife

Dr. Ivor Nicholas Lewis (32), New Cavendish Street, London, killed himself in a fit of remorse after being unfaithful to his wife.

This was the opinion of Mr. Ingleby Oddie, the Paddington Coroner, in recording a verdict of suicide while of unsound mind on Dr. Lewis, who was found dead on the floor of his apartment recently.

Dr. Lewis said that some weeks ago her husband had told her that he had been unfaithful and he said the same thing again. He seemed very upset about it. By nature he was rather temperamental.

The Coroner—"Do you know of any other reason why he should take his life?—He was a little worried by some stocks and shares that had gone down."

Sir Thomas Skene Keith said that death was due to nitrous oxide poisoning.

The Coroner said that Dr. Lewis had left a letter to his wife containing some money. In it he said, "This is the only recompense I can make for the wrong I have done you."

There was also a document purporting to be a will, in which everything was bequeathed to Mrs. Lewis.

Dr. Lewis, who was a member of

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Queen Mary unfurled the oak door of the new house recently after a speech by Mr. William M. Goodenough, chairman of governors of the Dominion Students' Hall Trust, which he founded in 1930.

The Royal College of Surgeons and a licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians, held several posts as an anaesthetist. He studied medicine at St. George's Hospital, London, where he later became house surgeon and physician and resident anaesthetist.

He was honorary anaesthetist at the Metropolitan Hospital, Brompton Hospital, and St. Andrew's Hospital, Dollis Hill. At the time of his death he was assistant anaesthetist at St. George's.

Around The Empire

INDIAN CONGRESS ALARM AT UNREST

Bombay. The Central Executive of the Congress party is becoming increasingly alarmed at the spread of agrarian and industrial unrest. According to the political correspondent of the Times of India a political crisis of a serious nature is fast developing.

The actions of the governments in Congress-ruled provinces are loudly criticised not only by Communists and other extremists, but also by moderates. They say that they are similar to those of past governments. The activities of students, coupled with the unrest due to unemployment, are causing anxiety.

Members of the Congress Central Executive are demanding an early meeting to review conditions.

50,000 Petitions.—A number of bullock-carts, escorted by Congress volunteers and surrounded by red flags bearing the hammer and sickle device, have unloaded 50,000 petitions outside the Patna house of Mr. Sinha, Premier of Bihar. The petitions, which came from the peasantry, enumerated grievances against the landlords.

Witchcraft Murders.—Of 83 murders committed in Bihar in the past three months nine are officially ascribed to witchcraft. The victims were killed either to propitiate an evil spirit or because they were suspected of harbouring one.

Marie Antoinette's Necklace.—Customs duty amounting to £7,500 has been demanded by the Bombay authorities on Marie Antoinette's diamond necklace which was sold at Sotheby's on July 1. It was bought by the Maharajah of Darbhanga for £15,000.

Under Five Governors.—Bhagwandni, one of the oldest servants at Calcutta Government House, has served as personal messenger successively under five Governors of Bengal. They are the late Lord Curzon, Lord Buxton, Lord Mountbatten, Lord Ronaldshay, now Marquess of Zetland, the Earl of Lytton, Sir Stanley Jackson and Sir John Anderson. Bhagwandni hopes to be able to complete a term with Lord Buxton.

Retired Officer's Suicide.—A verdict of "suicide while of unsound mind" was returned at the inquest at Colombo on Mr. W. R. P. Eyre, a retired lieutenant-commander of the Royal Navy, who died from a gunshot wound. He was first secretary of the Ceylon Planters' Society.

SOUTH AFRICA

EMPIRE-PARACHUTE RECORD

Cape Town. Mr. William Kerr, a young commercial traveller of Johannesburg, and formerly a parachutist, set up a new Empire record to-day by jumping from a height of 22,000 ft. The camp was made near Sanderfontein, and Mr. Kerr was unconscious when he landed.

The previous Empire record was 22,000 ft. The world record is over 36,000 ft., made by the Russian, Kaitanoff.

United Party Congress.—Gen. Smuts, Minister of Justice, will open the Congress of the United party at Bloemfontein to-morrow. Six Cabinet Ministers are attending, and the chief topic of discussion will be the 1938 election campaign.

Record Bunkering.—Table Bay harbour officials set up a record yesterday by bunkering the American steamer *Gylysses*, 10,780 tons, at the rate of 112 tons of fuel per hour. The *Gylysses* took 5,560 tons, which is a record amount here for one ship.

CANADA

BY-ELECTION IN ALBERTA

Edmonton. Polling takes place to-morrow at Lethbridge for a member of the Alberta Legislature. The by-election has been necessitated by the resignation of Mr. Hans E. Wright, Social Credit member.

The candidates are Mr. A. J. Burdick, Social Credit, and D. J. M. Campbell, who has been chosen as "Unity Convention" candidate to represent four parties opposing Social Credit.—Reuter.

NEW ZEALAND

SHORTER LIFE FOR PARLIAMENT

Wellington. The bill introduced by the Government reducing the life of the New Zealand Parliament to three years passed the House of Representatives recently.

The last Government extended the life of Parliament to four years.—Reuter.

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12-12.20 Relay of Special Service from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Grace Fields (Comedienne). Like The Big Pits Do (Long). I Think Of What Used To Think Of Me (Turk, Hanley and Lyman). The Photograph Of Mother's Wedding Group (Hargreaves and Damerell).

12.40 Ambrose and His Orchestra. Fox-Trots—Old Sailor; Nun-Yuff And Sun-Yuff; When The Poppies Bloom Again; Slow Fox-Trot—Serenade In The Night; Fox-Trots—In An Old Cowhand (from "Rhythm on the Range"); Empty Saddles (from "Rhythm on the Range"); Lost My Man (from "Soft Lights and Sweet Music").

1 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 Rossini—La Boutique Fantasque.

Played by the London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Eugene Goossens.
1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Local Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Songs by Tino Rossi (Tenor). Reviens Cherie (Cyleroy, Gardoni and Patrucci); Colombella (de Plerlas-Fernay); Marinella (Scotto, Pujol and Koger); O Corse Ile D'Amour (Koger and Scotto).

1.51 Viennese Waltzes.
"A Waltz Dream"—Potpourri (Strauss, arr. Dostal); Marek Weber and His Orchestra; Vienna Blood (Strauss); Blue Danube (Strauss); De Groot and The Pleadantly Orchestra; Moonlight On The Alster (Petras); Wine, Women And Song (Strauss); Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.
2.30 European Programme.
2.30-11 Chinese Programme.

5 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

1. Night over Shanghai; 2. Cause my Baby says it's so; 3. I know now; 4. The Lady who couldn't be kissed.

5.15 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

5.20 5. Where are you? 6. Feeling like a Million; 7. Yours and Mine; 8. Your Broadway and my Broadway.

5.35 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

8.45 9. More Power to you; 10. You're my Dish; 11. I've got my heart set on you; 12. Swing is here to stay.

9 Studio—Children's Hour.
7 Songs by Elisabeth Schumann

(Soprano). Wiergenel 'Der Kuss' (Smetana); Fruhlingsraum, Op. 89, No. 11 ('Winterreise'—Schubert); Der Einsame, Op. 41 (Schubert).

7.10 Closing Local Stock Quotations and Hongkong Exchange Market Report.

7.15 London—Yascha Krein and His Gypsy Orchestra.

Armenian Dance; Rural Songs of Russia; Romanian Folk-Songs; Tabor (Caravan); Hungarian Folk-Songs (Trad.).

7.45 Ballads.
Believe Me, If All Those Endearing Young Charms (Moore, arr. Clusman); Danny Malone (Tenor); The Devout Lover (White); Jogging Along The Highway (Samuel).

8 Percy Heming (Baritone); Devonshire Cream and Cider (Curzon and Sanderson); Up From Somerset (Weatherly and Sanderson); Malcolms McEnchorn (Bass).

8 Local Time Signal. Weather Report and Announcements.

8.05 Chinese Programme—Studio Concert.

11 Close Down.
8.05-11 p.m. European Programme from Z.B.W. On a Frequency of 640 Kilocycles.

8.05 Variety.
Novelty—Jubilee Music Hall Parade, 1922—1935. Including Jack Hylton; Sir Henry Lauder and Grace Fields; Vocal—Melody Trumps No. 2. The Four Aces (The Vocal Orchestra); Orchestra—Memories Of Horatio Nicholls; Debroy Sommers Band; One Never Knows, Does One?

8.30 London—At The Black Dog. Mr. Wilkes at home in his own parlour. Presented by Pascoe Thornton.

9 Chopin.
Etude In A Minor (Winter Wind) Op. 25, No. 11. Irene Scherrer (Piano); Mazurka, Op. 24, No. 4; Mazurka, Op. 33, No. 4. Ignaz Friedmann (Piano).

9.15 London—World Affairs. A talk by the Rt. Hon. Sir Malcolm Robertson, G.C.M.G., K.B.E.

9.30 London—The News.
9.50 Extracts from Wagner's Opera.

The Flying Dutchman—Overture by Bruno Walter conducting the Philharmonic Orchestra; "Tannhauser"—Blick Ich Umher.... Friedrich Schorr (Baritone) and New Symphony Orchestra cond. by Albert Coates.

10.10 Tchaikowsky—Symphony No. 5 In E Minor, Op. 64.

Played by the New Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.

11 Close Down.

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MARINES SHOW THE NAVY HOW Thrilling Charity Football Match

(By "Abe")
Unable to field a team in the First Division of the Hongkong Football League, the Royal Navy and the Royal Marines yesterday yet sent out 22 men who played soccer well up to the standard of the average local First Division side. The occasion was the annual match in aid of M. C. L. charities between the Navy and the Marines, played on the Navy ground at Causeway Bay.

Two aspects of the match were eye-openers to me. The first was that instead of a walk-over for the Navy, as I and a great many others had expected, the Marines actually led by 2-0 at one stage of the game, which they eventually won by the odd goal in three. The other was the surprisingly high standard of play seen.

I confess I went down to Causeway Bay to see the game not without trepidations of two hours being wasted. Before the game commenced, my feelings were that it was a job to be done and the sooner it was over the better. But from the very first whistle, there was no time to think of anything except the game; play was too fast and the exchanges too exciting. At the end of the encounter, I discovered I had enjoyed it as much as any Navy or Marine partisan in the stands.

NAVY RALLY
Two goals down five minutes from the final whistle, the Navy staged a rally and reduced the deficit, but the dour defensive play of the Marine backs and the splendid work of Dixon, at centre-half, kept the Navy forwards at bay. The Navy players themselves were to blame for having to fight so desperately for the equalizer in the closing minutes of the game; early on they had their chances but frittered them away. The Marines, on the other hand, made better use of their opportunities and the advantage they held over the sailors was

due to the hustling of Walman in the centre and the finishing of Betts and Skittle, the inside forwards.

If a single Marine player is to be singled out for special mention, it must be Dixon, who was greatly responsible for "bottling up" Potts, Page and Tippet. He not only managed to keep a tight hold on the Navy forwards, but found time to feed his own vanguard with well-placed passes. Willis, in goal, should also receive his share of praise; one less alert than he might have been beaten by some of the shots fired in by the Navy forwards, especially the one from Potts shortly after the Marines had found the net.

The Marine forwards were the more dangerous in front of goal, but though they were one up in the first half, actually the Navy had a greater share of the exchanges. The Navy forwards showed up to better advantage in the last minutes when they exerted pressure in an attempt to save the game. They managed to score one goal but the equalizer eluded them.

THE SCORING
Seven minutes after Mrs. Power, wife of Major Power, had kicked off, the Marines took the lead when Skittle snapped up a loose ball a few yards from the goal-mouth and beat Pepper. There was no further scoring until the second half when Betts beat a Navy defender in a race for the ball and had no dif-

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MANY PLAYERS SELECT THEMSELVES AUTHORITIES OUGHT TO GET TO WORK SHORTLY

Now that the replay between the Services and the Civilians has been decided, and in view of the fact that some of the best players in the Colony were on view in the two matches played between these two sides, I take this opportunity of nominating my Interport team.

With the exception of the right-half berth, I find sufficient to go no further than the Services and Civilians eleven for my nominations. I feel that Ray (Army) and Brown (Civilians) are not the two best right half-backs in the Colony; there are others whose claims have to be taken into consideration.

My Interport selections are as follows:
Goal-keeper.—M. Ramzan (K.I.T.C.).

Backs.—Wallace (R.A.F.) or A. E. P. Guest (Radio), and E. L. Gosano (Recreio).

Halves.—M. H. Hassan (Radio) or R. Marques (Recreio), W. A. Reed (Club), and M. R. Malik (K.I.T.C.).

Forwards.—S. A. Fowler (Club), Gurbachan Singh (Radio), Pritam Nath (Army), Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.), and V. Bond (Club).

REASONS GIVEN

Below I give my reasons for my selections and put forward my suggestions for a Rest team.

Ramzan had comparatively little to do last Sunday. He brought off two fine saves with characteristic kicks, but he would do well to leave alone balls which have been hit outside the circle. Two other Civilian goal-keepers worthy of a trial are Rocha (Radio) and Benwell (Club). The former is cool and collected under pressure and uses both feet effectively. The latter has been knocking at the door for Interport honours during the last two seasons, and when on form gives a fearless exhibition of goal-keeping. These two could share a game in a Rest team.

As regards the backs, my choice would be Fit. Lt. Wallace and E. L. Gosano. A. E. P. Guest and Gosano have paired off for two seasons, and Wallace is showing consistent form and should make a better partner at right back. Kishan Singh is also a good left back, but is inclined to be erratic.

Among the intermediates, I have nominated M. H. Hassan or R. Marques because these two are far superior to Ray and Brown in regard to constructional work. I am positive that Hassan is in top form this season and is the obvious choice. W. A. Reed, as pivot and captain of the team, is a certainty. M. R. Malik, left half, gave a much better display than did Lieut. Commr. Spencer, and if he employs the flick pass more often, I can see nobody good enough to deprive him of this position.

THE FORWARDS

Of the forwards, I have given S. A. Fowler preference over Khuda Bux. Though the Indian is faster on the right wing, the former plays a more brainy game and is more experienced. Gurbachan Singh, at inside right, is as fast as Sawal Khan and his stickwork furthermore is much better. He formed a grand combination with Fowler on the Civilian's right flank last Sunday. To Pritam Nath, I have given the all-important task as leader of the attack. He does not display the flashy stickwork of Pyara Singh, but the feeding of his forwards has always been his strong and unselfish asset. The inside left position has been a problem. Pinto, Gopal Ram, Bickford and Nerran Ram are not capable of filling this goal-scoring berth, and my choice is Pyara Singh. He has played in this position before and in the present circumstances is the ideal man. V. Bond has shown a marked improvement as a left winger and though Parthab is more spectacular, his selfishness has been his greatest failing. Bond sends the ball into the centre at the correct moment and his reverse stickwork is quite accurate.

To assist the selectors I will now nominate my Rest team so that a trial could be held at short notice, and sufficient time given the Interport XI so that they may settle down as a team.

My Rest team is:
Goal-keeper.—Rocha (Radio) or Benwell (Club).
Backs.—A. E. P. Guest (Radio) and Kishan Singh (K.I.T.C.).
Halves.—R. Marques (Recreio), Land (R.E.) and I. Alves (Recreio).
Forwards.—Khuda Bux (Rajputs), T. Whitley (Club), Sawal Khan (Rajputs), or Divett (Club), Bickford (Club) and Parthab (Kumraons).

Reserves for both teams:
McBride (Navy), Slickley (Army), W. Brown (Police), J. Gonsalves (Recreio), Miller (Navy), Teja Singh (Police), Gopal Ram (Army), Nerran Ram (Army) and Donald (Navy).

WEEKLY HOCKEY NOTES

NOTES OF CURRENT INTEREST

THE Y.M.C.A. hockey section will hold its mid-season dance in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel tomorrow (Friday, January 7), from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tickets can be obtained from the Y.M.C.A. or from members at the door. "Mac West" will in all probability be there; so, come up and see her sometime!

HOCKEY enthusiasts will regret to hear that Mr. F. A. Kemp, formerly Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Hockey Association, is not returning to the Colony as expected. He was due from Home leave at the end of the month, but has decided to remain in the old country for good.

MISS H. REID, St. Andrew's left half, is fast developing into a competent player in her new position. She was originally an inside left.



Miss Reid
Beginning to like her new position as a wing half.

IN THE final games of the Inter-Section Tournament, the H.K.I.A.A. will meet the 8th Destroyer Flotilla (Navy) this afternoon at King's Park at 2.45 p.m. and on Saturday, January 8, the K.I.T.C. (Civilians) will meet the 8th Destroyer Flotilla at Sookunpoo at 4 p.m.

AFTER a fortnight's rest, the Ladies resume their League fixtures on Saturday with the following games:

CAER CLARK CUP
St. Andrew's v. Hong Ladies (C.B.A. ground, 3 p.m.)

BROWN CUP
Seaforth Ladies v. Recreio (Parade Ground, 3.15 p.m.)

St. Andrew's v. C.B.S. "B" (C.B.S. ground, 3 p.m.)

C.B.A. v. C.B.S. "A" ("C" ground, 3 p.m.)

THE SEAFORTH Highlanders, who are participating in the Marine and United Hockey Tournaments, will be leaving the Colony on January 27. They will be relieved by the Royal Scots, who are arriving from India on January 28 with a fairly good hockey record. The new regiment will, I presume, replace the Seaforths in the two tournaments.

IMPORTANT ICE HOCKEY MATCHES PLAYED

Montreal, Jan. 5.
Several important ice-hockey matches were played to-day.

At Montreal, Detroit defeated the Montreal Canadiens by three goals to nil, and Boston Bruins beat the Toronto Maple Leafs by 6-3.

New York Americans and the Rangers played an over-time tie of 5-5. The outcome of these matches has lifted the Americans to second place, due to the Canadiens' defeat.

United Press.

Though the Interport with Macno does not take place until the middle of March, I would advise the selectors to get going as early as possible as the International Tournament commences in February and players will be fully engaged.



Parker
His sickness rules him out.

TEAMS BELOW STANDARD

Club Defeats Police

A closely-contested but nevertheless uninteresting game took place on the Club ground at King's Park last evening when the home team defeated the Police by a goal scored by S. A. Fowler in the last five minutes.

Considering the numerous chances which came their way, the Club did badly to win by only 1-0. The defence, with W. A. Reed, Wallace and E. V. Reed, played well, but the forwards were a way poor lot. The winners played with ten men for the first 20 minutes, V. Bond failing to put in an appearance. N. Whitley, who has just returned to the Colony from home leave, filled the vacancy at left wing and one could clearly see he was out of condition. After a goalless first half, the Club dominated the exchanges and had shooting by Fowler and T. Whitley when in the circle spilt many a promising chance for a decent score.

The Police halves and backs were prominent with their hard tackling and the pick of their defence was Jackson at left half. Howlett, Brown and Wall, the inside trio, failed to combine with any understanding. Teja Singh, on the right wing, showed a rare turn of speed, but Nazir Singh at right half was never up to assist him. With 15 minutes to go the Club pinned the Police in their own half and there were times when the home players looked like scoring. The chance arrived when N. Whitley crossed in a hard centre from the left. Fowler was waiting, from what seemed to be an off-side position, and scored with ease.

Honestly, I am compelled to declare that both teams were playing below the standard expected of senior teams.

Kumaons Vanquish Lower Deck By Goal Scored Near End

In a friendly game on the Marina ground on Tuesday, the Kumaon Rifles defeated the Navy Lower Deck by a lone goal, scored by Parthab two minutes from the end of the match.

Play was fast and interesting, but skillful constructive hockey was absent. The Navy players were more on the defensive than on the attack, and when they did get in their opponents' circle, they failed through bad marksmanship. McBride, their goal-keeper, however, was in top form and saved his side from at least four certain goals. Meanwhile, on the right wing, was the most dangerous forward on view, but Evans and Andrews rendered very poor assistance.

Kemp and Pavitt worked hard on the left flank but found Gulap Singh a difficult obstacle to overcome. The Indian right half did some useful work, but on two occasions he got away from his position, using the back of his stick to Morgan, at left half, who rather crude with his tackling and May, at right half, gave a good account of himself, though he was outplayed by the speedy Parthab.

The Kumaon attack, led by Holm, forced the game from the start and won, often in the Navy's circle. The forwards were driven off by Dudd and Edwards, who put up a sterling defence and displayed great spirit with their clearances. Parthab, on the left wing, was the best of the wingers, and Seta Singh, at inside left, showed some good movements.

Lat. Singh, at centre-half, was the best of the intermediates, and T. Singh, at left back, did useful work. Two minutes from the final whistle, Parthab found the net from a melee in the goalmouth. McBride, in goal, gave an exhibition which earned him rounds of applause from the Naval supporters. The Navy defence, although indulging in too much wild hitting and too little thought for intelligent passing, worked hard nevertheless in trying to get their forwards going. If they failed in doing this, they certainly succeeded in hobbling the Kumaons' attack. It was a hard-fought game whilst it lasted.

PLAYING AT CRICKET ONLY FOR THOSE WITH A LOVE OF BON HOMIE

It was a dark and stormy night and the brigands were gathered round the camp-fire. And one of them said, "Come, Nick and make us a game at wickets". And so it came to pass. At the moment it escapes me whether the camp-fire was in the Bowling Alley or in one of H.M. Ships but the only thing that matters is that the match took place on Sunday last at King's Park, being played between a few of the Gentlemen of Hongkong and a few of the Gentlemen of the Navy. It was, in the programme described as a Glass of Cricket, and the hours of play depended mainly on J. Coates—who once qualified for Pennycomequick or some adjacent borough—and the weather. The latter was definitely dry.

Owing to my lamentable habit of agreeing with the immortal advice of Mr. Chubb, I arrived about two mins after the beginning of play, though I gather there had been a preliminary encounter elsewhere. This handicap I never quite made up during the rest of the game, though it is not for this reason that I proffer no running account of the match. Even the powers of a Mr. Curdus or a Sir Plum would fail to describe in accurate journalistic a situation where the umpire signals both wide and no ball at the same moment and immediately gives the batsman out as "retired thirsty". It was no doubt a correct decision but somewhat novel. A series of impressions must suffice.

J. Pat and J. Erb gave the Navy a good start by scoring five, and the score mounted rapidly to some nebulous total that varied inversely with the swallow of the scorers. But whatever it was it fully justified the unforgettable sight of the Umpires, Batsmen and fielders being solemnly piped to lunch. As to whether it is judicious for the wicketkeeper to smoke a pipe or squawk for or knock back a juniper I prefer to express no opinion. They were, however, tactful enough to remove these impedimenta from the pitch.

EVERYTHING WAS LOVELY

I don't want to crab the title but the first course grabbed me a bit. Thereafter everything in the garden was lovely, and an enjoyable time was had by all. Then when one had reached a pleasant state of repletion the hands were once more piped to cricket. And here I wish to complain of the dastardly behaviour of (I fear) one of the batsmen, who I presume was one of the noblemen of the Navy. He was assuredly no gentleman! When the Press, in its close scrutiny of the condition of the pitch, proceeded to crawl on hands and knees over the length of it, the ruffian took advantage of his defenceless posture to shoot—or rather thump—a sitting rabbit! It was in execrable taste.

However, a very merrie jester occurred later in the afternoon when one of the gentlemen of Hongkong, being armed with a watering-can, presumably to keep off the flies, as well as a bat, proceeded to sprinkle liberally the recumbent form of the Navy skipper, J. Nick, who had elected to take a nap on the popping crease. Other interesting incidents occurred. J. Giff elected to bat with an eight foot coolie bamboo which in running enabled him to have the distance he had to cover to be in his ground. As for his batting, it did not seem to make much difference. There is much else of which I would write. Of J. Shorty in an epicene Spanish dancer dress, (pinched, I fear, from J. Peggie when she was not looking) achieving incredible improperities while chasing the ball of the hand-somest (and biggest) member of the Navy team who was used as the riller between the innings, of J. Olivinski whose gripping innings of seven notches for his inability to bowl nearer the wicket than cover-point. But space forbids. Suffice it to say the match ended in a 57 runs each being scored. For some reason,

jealousy perhaps, the scorer failed to record that J. Rabbit batted for each side. Anyhow it made no difference to the score. J. Peggie and J. Ann were also cut out of the scoring book as after having batted they preferred their tents to fielding.

After the game the tired warriors fought their battles again in the Pavilion until long after nightfall. It was a great game. I have never seen its like before and I fear I never shall in the future. It is only once in a lifetime that organized foolery can strike the unforeseen and perfect note from beginning to end without flinching for a moment. I for one shall never forget it.

"Disregarding the statement of a Marine officer, whose other name is Jumbo, that a plain statement suffice."

J. RABBIT.

County Rugger Encounter

London, Jan. 5.

At Worthing to-day, a close-ly-contested match between Sussex and Hampshire in the County Rugby Championship resulted in a win for the latter by 18-17.—*Reuter*.

BILLIARDS TOURNAMENT NOT FOR ENGLAND

London, Dec. 10.

Walter Lindrum, the world champion billiardist, was informed by cable message yesterday that the Billiards Control Council in London did not intend to conduct a competition next year for the world title. In September the council notified Lindrum that it would hold a tournament to determine the world champion, and invited Lindrum to go to England next year. "If he did play in the tournament," it was decided in his absence.

Lindrum replied that he would not visit England in 1938, and said that if a championship were conducted it should be in Australia. He pointed out that it was a recognised condition in all major sports that matches for championships must be played in the country of residence of the title-holder.

Now that the championship tournament in England has been cancelled, Lindrum is prepared to complete negotiations with Clark McConachy, the New Zealand champion, for a world title contest in Sydney.

Arrangements can be agreed upon in time. It is likely that the contest will be held in January or early in February.



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SOCCER PLAYERS SELECTED

Lai Wah Cup Tie On Saturday

The following will represent the Civilians in the Semi-Final round of the Lai Wah Cup Competition on Saturday on the Club ground:

Manning (Police); C. Pile (Police) and Ulrich (Kowloon); C. F. Remedios (St. Joseph's); A. Bill (Kowloon) (Capt.) and Wilson (Club); T. Pile (Police); A. Ward (St. Joseph's); D. Knox (Kowloon); J. Howlett (Police) and Honnibal (Kowloon).

Reserves:—A. J. Hussain (St. Joseph's); Gough (Police); Bickford (Club); Leonard (St. Joseph's); G. Hill (Club); F. Fowler (Club) and V. White (Kowloon).

Hongkong Chinese

The following will represent the Hongkong Chinese against the Civilians in the Semi-Final of the Lai Wah Cup competition on Saturday on the Club ground:

Tam Kwan-kon (South China "B"); Mak Shul-hou (South China "A"); and Lee Ting-sing (South China "A"); Leung Wing-chui (South China "A"); Lau Hing-choi (South China "A"); and Lee Kwok-wai (South China "A"); Yeung Shul-yick (South China "B"); Lau Chong-sang (South China "B"); Fung King-cheong (South China "A"); Lai Shul-wing (South China "A"); and Hau Ching-ting (Eastern).

Reserves:—Kwok Ping-cheung (Eastern); Lam Tak-po (South China "A"); Chan Tak-fai (South China "B"); Soong Lik-sing (Eastern); Sammy Tang (Eastern); Chong Chan-fai (Kowloon Chinese) and Lo Wai-kuen (Eastern).

GOVERNOR'S CUP MATCH

Hongkong Football Association Team for January 22

The following will represent the Hongkong Football Association in the Second Round of the Governor's Cup Competition on Saturday, January 22, at Caroline Hill:

Rowlands (Kowloon); Webster (Seafarths); and Costa (St. Joseph's); Biles (Kowloon); N. B. Beltrio (St. Joseph's) and Evans (Kowloon); Freshwater (Middlesex); McGulgan (Seafarths); D. Knox (Kowloon); J. Howlett (Police) and Hurst (Engineers).

Reserves:—C. Pile (Police); McKusker (Seafarths); Bright (Middlesex); D. Leonard (St. Joseph's) and Saw (Middlesex).



A front seat at London's age old coronation ceremonies is reserved for all who see "The Prince and the Pauper," the First National picture showing at the King's Theatre to-day. Entirely authentic, this scene is said to be one of the most remarkable spectacles ever filmed. Shown above are: Halliwell Hobbes (right) as the Archbishop of Canterbury; Robert Warwick (left) as Lord Warwick, and Billy Mauch (center) the pauper boy who was almost crowned King of England.

Marksmen Favoured By Weather

Weather conditions were almost ideal yesterday when the Hongkong Rifle Association held a shoot on the Army ranges. Although the wind varied in strength, its direction was fairly constant, and the light was good.

Outstanding feature of the shooting was the fine card returned by L/Cpl. R. Langford (Middlesex), who put on 32, 31 and 31, at 200, 500, and 600 yards respectively, thus obtaining an aggregate only a point less than that obtained by Cdr. Gnr. Moody (H.M.S. Suffolk) who took the net spoon in the S. R. (b) series with 95.

Concurrently with the spoon shoot, a competition was held between the Middlesex and the Seafarths. Special competitions are being arranged for the next Sunday shoot, when opportunity will be afforded for shooting at the new army targets. There will also be clay-bird and revolver shooting, as well as team events.

The annual general meeting will be held in February. Nominated life memberships have been awarded to Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie, and Captain

F. P. Sequeira, of the Volunteers.

Yesterday's scores:

Middlesex Regiment

Pte. Middleton 200 500 600 Ttl.

Pte. Cox 21 26 25 72

L/Cpl. Langford 32 31 31 94

Sgt. Jordan 25 27 26 78

L/Cpl. Baker 23 22 22 67

Sgt. Cooper 23 22 22 67

Pte. Moss 23 22 22 67

Lt. Pullman 23 22 22 67

Range Total 212 222 205 640

Net Spoon S. R. (b) 654

Seafarths

Sgt. Butterfield 30 31 27 88

R.S.M. Fleming 21 26 24 71

R.S.M. Kell 23 22 22 67

C.S.M. Bradley 23 22 22 67

Pte. Cranston 24 21 26 71

Cpl. Clark 23 22 22 67

L/Cpl. Baird 23 22 22 67

L/Cpl. Tennant 23 22 22 67

Range Total 214 210 200 624

S. R. (b) 608

Cdr. Gnr. Moody (Ser.) 34 31 30 95

Lt. Jenkins (Ser.) 29 33 30 92

Lt. Pullman (7) 29 37 30 96

Cpl. Griffin (2) 33 31 27 91

Sgt. Butterfield (1) 33 31 27 91

Capt. Trevor (4) 29 31 30 90

S. R. (a)

L/Cpl. Langford (4) 32 31 31 94

Sgt. Cooper (6) 23 22 22 67

Lt. Pullman (7) 29 37 30 96

Pte. Moss (7) 23 22 22 67

L/Cpl. Richardson (6) 23 22 22 67

L/Cpl. Baird (9) 23 22 22 67

L/Cpl. MacDonald (13) 23 22 22 67

Sgt. Dunville (8) 23 22 22 67

Cpl. Mohamed (6) 23 22 22 67

Dmr. Bolimbroke (9) 23 22 22 67

Pte. Cranston (8) 23 22 22 67

Pte. Middleton (9) 23 22 22 67

Pte. Clark (11) 23 22 22 67

Pte. Burkitt (11) 23 22 22 67

Net Spoon S. R. (a) 748

* denotes the winner of the "handicap" spoon.

WEEK-END CRICKET League Teams Selected For Saturday

The First Division of the Hongkong Cricket League makes a renewed start on Saturday. Kowloon will meet the Army at Soukupoo, and the following will represent Kowloon: Ist. XI—D. J. N. Anderson (Captain), G. C. Burnett, E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, S. Jex, A. T. Lay, R. E. Lee, B. D. Lay, N. D. Lloyd, T. A. Madar and G. F. O'Brien. Umpire, J. P. Robinson. Scorer, W. Bambo.

CRAIGENGOWER 1ST. XI The following will represent Craigengower 1st. XI in their League match with the Indian R.C. on the latter's ground:

E. Zimmerman (Captain), P. J. Billimoria, A. R. H. Esmail, A. Gohind, A. B. Hamson, A. K. Ismail, A. T. Lee, F. K. Lee, G. Souza, J. L. Youngs and F. R. Zimmerman.

CLUB TEAM CHOSEN The following will represent the Hongkong Cricket Club in their first division match against the Navy on the Club ground:

A. W. Hayward (Captain), M. F. L. Haynes, R. D. Allen, H. W. Baines, C. A. Stewart, P. A. Pearce, J. L. C. Pearce, H. Owen Hughes, R. L. D. Wedehouse, F. Marshall, F. H. Stokes.

Scottish Soccer Result

London, Jan. 5.

Arbroath, playing at home, were held to a draw by Partick in the First Division of the Scottish Football League to-day. Each side scored once.—*Reuter.*

MARINES SHOW THE NAVY HOW

(Continued from Page 8.)

Acuity in increasing the Marines' lead. Five minutes from the end, the long-awaited naval movement materialised. Tippet was in possession, drew Lebridge and passed the ball to the unmarked Wallace, who had only Willis to beat. This seemed to put new life into the Navy forwards and to fluster the Marines' backs, both of whom became shaky. But Dixon was there, working like a Trojan and saving several dangerous situations.

The game was well-handled by Sgt. Isler, of the Army.

Teams: Royal Navy.—Pepper; Kew, Tozer; Laister, Sherman, Fisher; Chalcraft, Potts, Page, Tippet and Wallace. Royal Marines.—Willis; Lebridge, Tucker; Band, Dixon, Robinson; Skittle and Long.

TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONS May Play Here Shortly

If arrangements proceed as anticipated, Hongkong will have an opportunity of witnessing Miklos Szabados and Istvan Kelen, the Hungarian world champions at table tennis, in action next March. These two champions arrived in the Colony a few days ago on board the steamer Nellore from Australia, on a visit to Japan.

Both expressed surprise when informed that there was no table tennis association in the Colony. Everywhere else they have been, they have been met by a representative of such an association. In Australia, where the game is but a year old, though the standards are medium compared with those of England and Europe, the game has gained such a hold that the country will, in the future, be ranked among the major nations.

Many people, the champions said, have a wrong conception of the game. To play it one must be as fit as for a game of tennis or soccer. Accuracy, and above all concentration on the ball, are main essentials, and to have these attributes is not easy.

Having started playing at the age of fourteen, their first world championships were in 1929, when Kelen won the Mixed Doubles title, and together with Szabados the Men's Doubles. Szabados that year was runner-up to Fred Perry in the Singles. They are the present holders of the Australian Singles and Doubles Championships titles, while Kelen is co-holder of the newly inaugurated Mixed Doubles championship.

They expressed their willingness to give an exhibition in Hongkong upon their return from Japan early in March.

BADMINTON LEAGUE RESULTS

In the "B" Division of the Badminton League last night, St. John's beat Free Lancers 7-2.
F. H. Kwok and A. J. Bennett (St. John's) beat A. C. Fisher and F. W. Clark 21-4; beat J. L. Anderson and Howard 21-14; beat Sharpe and Harris 21-11.
G. A. Smith and A. Keown (St. John's) beat Fisher and Clark 21-15; lost to Anderson and Howard 11-21; beat Sharpe and Harris 21-13.
P. Wilson and N. Smith (St. John's) lost to Fisher and Clark 11-21; beat Anderson and Howard 21-13; beat Sharpe and Harris 21-5.

C.E.C. v RECREIO

Chinese Recreation Club beat Club de Recreio 7-2.
S. W. Liang and P. F. Choy (C.R.C.) lost to J. N. and C. N. de Silva 22-24; beat P. A. R. Alves and C. C. Pereira 21-11; beat M. M. de V. Soares and H. A. Noronha 21-10.
C. F. Chiu and Y. W. Lee beat Silva and Noronha 21-10; beat Soares and Noronha 21-15.
P. C. Leung and Y. Yung lost to Silva and Noronha 19-21; beat Alves and Noronha 24-20; beat Soares and Noronha 21-10.

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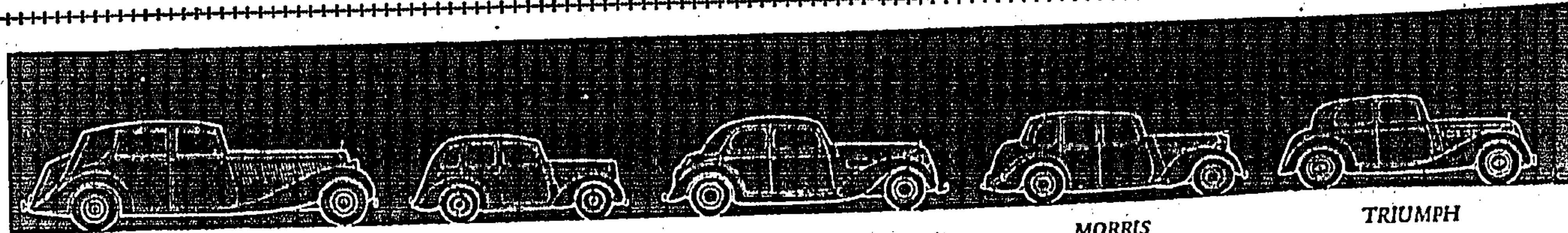
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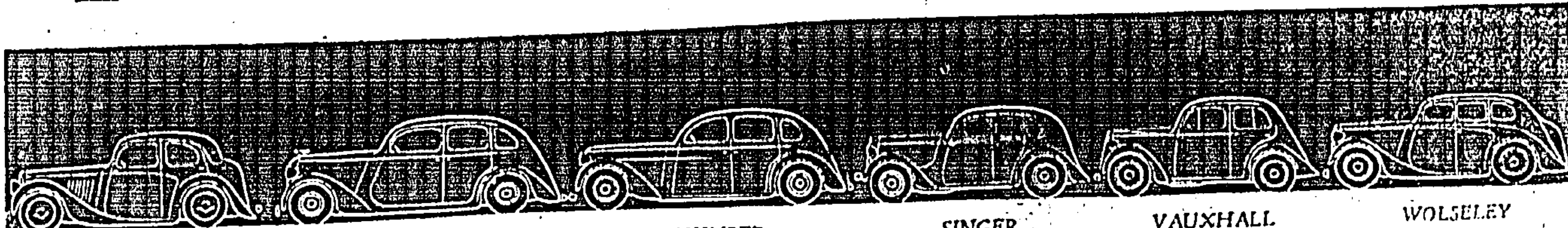
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NEWS FROM THE MOTOR WORLD



These, says Basil Cardew, are The 1938 Profiles



HERE are a few points of interest from the Motor Show held recently at Earl's Court in London picked from all kinds of stands, varied products.

These motoring folk have plenty of competition, keep well up to scratch. Come along, take a stroll round with me, and you will see:

CARS

Alvis

ALVIS showed for the first time a new range of colours—so, women please note. These colours are very modern. Hear their names: Burgundy, champagne, desert sand, Highland green, orchid, and light daisy blue.

Only five of the twenty-two Alvis cars on the company's and coach-builders' stands were in black.

Interesting for the mechanical mind was the polished chassis of the "Speed Twenty-five," which puts the searchlight on technical details of the independent springing first introduced in Britain by Alvis.

Here you had a first view of the new four-cylinder 12/70 saloon, worthy descendant of the original 12/50 on which Alvis reputation was founded.

Austin

THE newest Austins—the Big Seven and the Eighteen—were the chief interest on the stand. These caterers for the family motorist (and lots of others) exhibited twelve models—four more than last year.

Then there were seven marine engines and a sectioned Big Seven chassis in the Mechanical Display offshoot.

The Big Seven is a surprisingly roomy car for its engine power, and is listed at £100.

The new Austin Eighteen is the long-wheelbase Windsor saloon, priced at £375, and the Norfolk short-wheelbase model costing £355.

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Hillman

REASON why the Coventry factory of Hillman's is working at 100 per cent. pressure was made clear by a look round their stand at the show.

The new Minx, one of the finest light cars in the world, was shown in the safety and de luxe models, and as a four-seater coupe.

These cars are selling as quickly as they can be produced. Then the new "14" safety saloon was there, also in de luxe form, and "30" seven-seater saloon.

Humber

SPLendid ambassadors for British cars were the models seen on the Humber stand. This company are an example to the industry in wider outlook, for their cars are sold in all parts of the world.

They showed an "all-six cylinder" programme, cars that are as good for home use as for the export market.

On view were the new and smaller Snipe and the new Sixteen saloon. They are ideal low-priced better-class cars. The new Snipe was also shown with sectioned working models of the chassis and engine.

Morris

BIG news here is the new Twelve-Four Series III, car that recently made its debut. This is a real find as a family car, for it has good acceleration, plenty of power, lots of passenger room and it is cheap running.

The twelve horse-power four-cylinder engine has overhead valves, all the Morris cars this year. Its top speed is seventy miles an hour.

The Morris Eight, Series II, does not need much introduction. Already 170,000 of these models have been sold. Their popularity is well deserved.

Three other first-class cars, the Series III, Ten, Fourteen and Twenty-five h.p. cars made the Morris show range interesting to motorists with varying resources.

Rolls-Royce

KEYNOTE of these dignified 100 per cent. cars is that there is no compromise in the design of any of the chassis shown. On view were two Phantom III, 12-cylinder models and two 25/30 h.p. models. Prices are from £1,610 to £3,040. It sounds a lot of money until you see the cars.

On the Pullman limousine the interior is ventilated and heated like a luxury ballroom.

Singer

NOW the new model here is in the 10-h.p. class. It is comfortable, and has an extraordinary amount of room for luggage at the back.

It has an all-steel body and bucket seats specially designed to prevent fatigue on long journeys. The four-cylinder engine is really lively in traffic, and it pulls strongly in top gear when going slowly up a steep hill.

The Bantam two-door saloon, known for its trouble-free tendencies, was there, and several good 12-h.p. Singers are in the new range.

Triumph

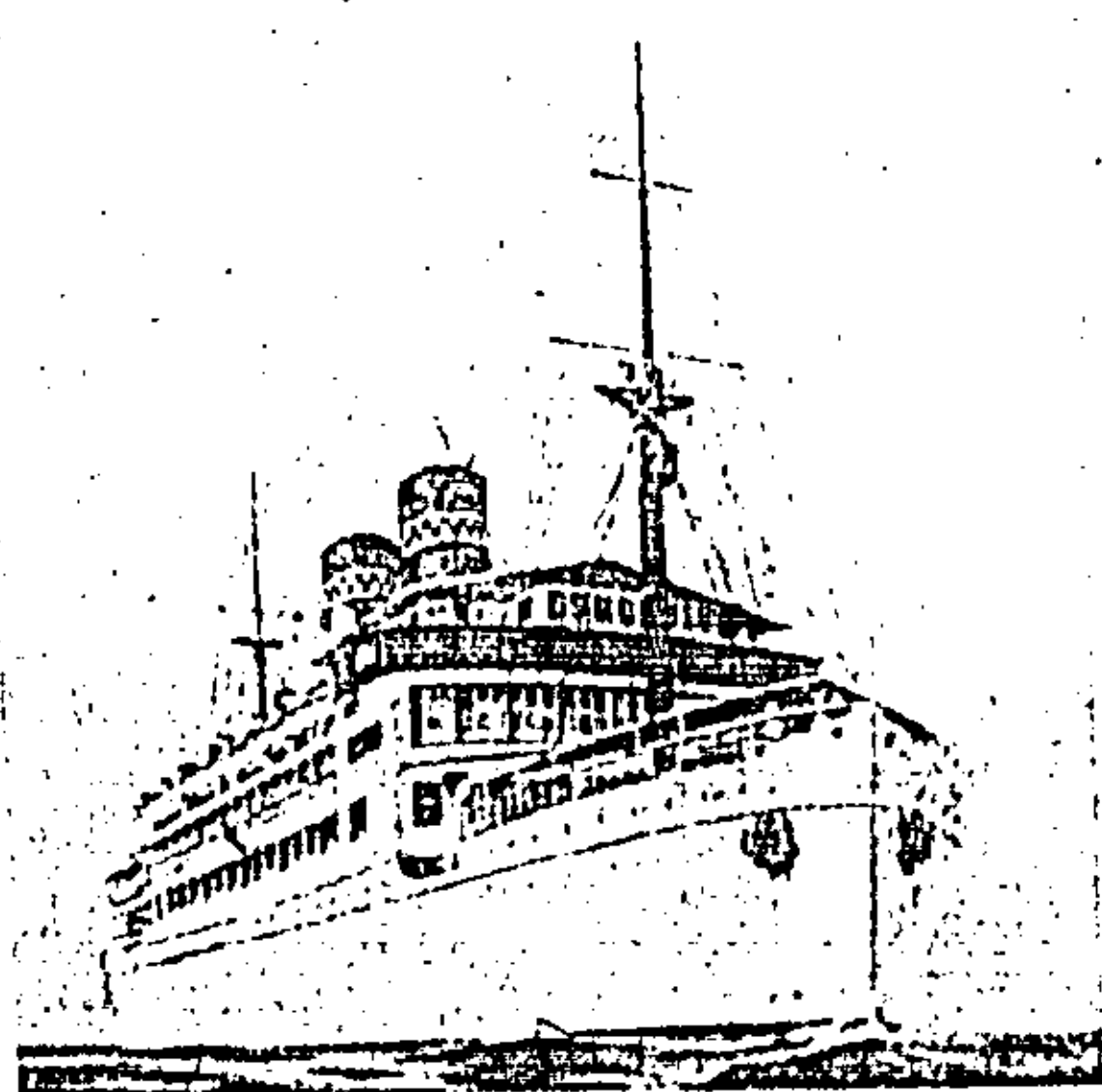
THE grand recovery in the fortunes of the Triumph Company, proved by the just issued balance-sheet, was explained when I saw the models on their stand.

Their range has three distinct types—the Dotomite, the Vitesse, and the Gloria.

High-spot is the 14/60 h.p. Vitesse, listed at £290, and capable of a comfortable "80."

The unusual radiator style of the Triumph Dolomite caused lots of talk last year. But it was a winner.

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The company's output for 1938 is already 27 per cent. up on last year.

Wolseley

TWO new Wolseley models, announced on the eve of the Earl's Court Exhibition, were the main features of their stand.

They are the new 12/48 and the new Super Sixes (16 h.p., 21 h.p., and 25 h.p.). All are full five-seater saloons with new ideas in the chassis and many coachwork refinements.

They showed their new principle of springing called phased suspension, which rids us of rough riding in the back seats. These cars are typically Wolseley in dignity and grace.

Practical points have been considered in their design, such as vision for the driver, ventilation, roominess, luggage accommodation, and sound and heat insulation of the engine.

Other good models on this stand were the Wolseley 14/56 saloon and the Wolseley 18/60 saloon.

FUEL

Esso

THERE may be oil beneath your feet. Few people think of this in Britain. On the Esso stand was a lifelike model of the company's activity in the great search for oil in Britain.

Model shows work that is now proceeding on a scale that has not before been attempted in this country.

Second interesting model shows the Esso oil refinery at Fawley, on Southampton Water, with moving trucks, trains, shipping.

Shell-Mex

LUBRICATING oils prolong the life of an engine more than any other factor (except a good driver).

At the show a new Shell oil makes an exclusive compound which makes it cling to cylinder walls, was introduced.

This protective film remains after the engine cools down. Thus it prevents corrosion, which causes most "Change to fresh oil for winter" is an old slogan. Vacuum believe search Department of the Institute of Automobile Engineers.

It is packed in new pint and quart tins shaped like flattened cones; these facilitate pouring.

A new plant—it took two years to build—has been established at Shell Haven, Essex, to produce the oil.

OIL

Castrol

CLEVEREST stand at the show was an all-robot affair displaying Castrol oils. Design was a well-remembered secret until the exhibition opened.

All you did here was press one of a series of knobs and the "robot" on the stand delivered a lubrication diagram for your particular car chassis. Range is 100 models. Another automatic device handed out the literature.

Castrol's have the first "film-bar." Machines operate the film in a way for fourteen people at a time to see and hear the programme through a row of individual viewing cowl.

Mobileil

NEW type motor oil which flows freely at a temperature of 32 degrees of frost is claimed to be perfected by the Vacuum Oil Company. It has just been put on the market under the name of "Arctic," a special winter grade of the well-known Mobileil.

It is a light bodied oil, specially prepared for use in modern engines. Claimed for it are split-second starting from dead cold and instant circulation to all parts of the engine.

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Hongkong Telegraph
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HAPPENINGS
AS SEEN BY
THE CAMERA'S EYE



PLAIN AND FANCY DRESS DANCE held at Peak during the Yuletide season was a brilliant success and attracted a record crowd.—*King's Studio.*



"WHO'S THAT MAN with the box?" Asks this Kiddle at a recent Kowloon party.—*Ming Yuen.*



"BOB" HENDERSON lays down the law of hockey at the recent Y.M.C.A. versus C.B.A. fancy dress match.—*Staff Photographer.*



ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL Hall was venue of a Children's Christmas Party, which was greatly appreciated by the youngsters.—*Ming Yuen.*



KIDDIES HAD AN ENJOYABLE TIME at a party held on New Year's Eve at the residence of Mr. Alves.—*Yuen Chun.*



DOROTHY MOSS, Lillian Dunn, Sam Sh. eds were able to help their side considerably in the Y.M.C.A.—C.B.A. Fancy Dress Hockey Match. Perhaps Sam's Costume had something to do with it.—*Staff Photographer.*



L. Starbuck (facing Camera), Mrs. F. Read, and Mr. Dalziel were three members of the Y.M.C.A. Fancy Dress team.—*Staff Photographer.*

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Hikawa Maru Sat., 5th Feb.

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Hakone Maru Mon., 24th Jan.
Hakone Maru Sat., 5th Feb.

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Rakuyo Maru Wed., 12th Jan.

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Zionists Urge Resumption Of Immigration

Representations To Colonial Office

London, Jan. 5.

It is learned that the World Zionist organization will immediately make representations to the Colonial Office with regard to the Palestine White Paper, urging resumption of Jewish immigration to Palestine up to the economic capacity of the country.

Speaking in London to-day, Professor Brudsky, on behalf of the London Executive of the organization, said that artificial reduction of immigration was causing an economic crisis in Palestine and severe distress to large numbers of Jews in Eastern and Central Europe who were persecuted and looked to Palestine as their only hope.

Clearly the British Government envisaged a long delay before it expected to be in a position to formulate a final policy. This delay was deeply deplored and it was incumbent on the mandatory administration to see that meanwhile the life and work of the country should proceed as far as possible on normal lines.—Reuter.

Missionaries Included In Defence Plan

Darwin, Jan. 5.

Three missions on the 1,000-mile, desolate Arnhemland coast are co-operating with the Australian navy's northern intelligence defence scheme.

Special codes of instructions for use in wartime have been issued to the missionaries who will co-ordinate with signal fires by which it is proposed the Aborigines will notify the approach of strange ships.—Reuter.

ROOSEVELT OUTLINES ECONOMY BUDGET

(Continued from Page 1.)

side. "It predicts some improvement over the present level, but does not assume in its figures that the business calendar for 1938 will reach such high levels as the business calendar for 1937."

The Budget message revealed sharply reduced appropriations for most Government agencies, and proposed holding Federal expenditures for the 1938 fiscal year to \$3,000,000,000 which is \$330,000,000 below the estimated expenditures for the current fiscal year.

RECOMMENDS CAUTION

Further emphasizing the need for economies, the President said that the relief requirements may further unbalance the Budget. He pointed out that the ultimate of the relief bill was determinable only from the scope and duration of the trade reversal, and he recommended curtailment of expenditure on highways, river and harbour projects, new buildings and reclamation projects, because it had been demonstrated that such projects do not contribute largely to the lightening of the burden of relief.

He made two recommendations. Firstly, that the President be given power to veto individual items in appropriation measures, and not be compelled to kill the entire Bill as he is at present. Secondly, the enactment of legislation for relieving the Reconstruction Finance Corporation of the responsibility in connection with loans to the Credit Corporation by wanting Congress to require an annual appraisal of the agency's financial condition.

He said that the forthcoming increase in the public debt will not require the Treasury to borrow additional money from the market. Approximately \$1,100,000,000 will be available during the fiscal year for investment in special issues of Government obligations, from the Old Age Pension reserve account, the Railroad and Government Employees Retirement Fund, and the Unemployment Trust Fund, as a result of which, the Treasury's financing for the fiscal year 1939 will be confined to refunding maturing obligations.—United Press.

VERY TENTATIVE

New York, Jan. 5. Business circles regard President Roosevelt's budget message as very tentative and subject to wide revisions, especially in items of relief, taxation, revenue and national defence, which depend on the development of business and international affairs.

As budget deficits are bound to remain to some extent, it is felt an inflationary tinge to the budget cannot be denied. It is nevertheless realized that no further Treasury borrowing is being contemplated in the near future since the deficits will be financed by social security receipts.

The proposed capitalization of the Commodity Credit Corporation, with authority to issue its own securities, is regarded as providing a convenient medium for Government spending without directly increasing the national debt.—Reuter.

JAPANESE EVACUATE WANGCUM

Martial Law At Shekki

Shanghai, Jan. 4.

China still claims full jurisdiction over Wangcum Island, south of Mr. Macao, and Commissioner of Chu Shao-hsin, the Chinese Foreign Affairs here, and his successor, Dr. Kan Chia-hou, protested against the Portuguese claims. Recently, Dr. Andrew S. F. Lin, Secretary of the Chinese office of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, went to Macao to discuss this matter with the Portuguese authorities.

Vernacular press reports stated that some male children were taken from the island to Formosa to be brought up as Japanese colonial subjects for conscript service.

The Japanese bluejackets have also evacuated San Cho Island, Shang Chuen Island and Kuo Lan Island. All the erections on the islands have been removed. Those that could not be taken away were destroyed.

Several Japanese warships are cruising around the Ladrone Island near Macao.

Three Japanese transports at Hopao Island unloaded provisions and over a thousand tons of petrol and sailed yesterday in a north-eastern direction.

In Hopao Bay there is a Japanese aircraft carrier. It is not clear whether the carrier came from Tongkawan or is an additional vessel. The military authorities have no information concerning the movement of the aircraft carrier.—International.

TONGKAWAN LANDING

Canton, Jan. 4.

The recent landing of Japanese bluejackets at Tongkawan, which created some attention abroad, was not taken seriously in well informed foreign circles here, as it is surmised that the Japanese efforts were merely a test of the Chinese coastal defences.

Chinese shore batteries fired sixteen shells against a naval landing party of some sixty bluejackets, who were armed with rifles, Lewis guns and hand grenades. There were three Japanese warships on the waterfront. Such strength was not intended to make serious inroads on the mainland.—Special.

JAPANESE DEPARTURE

Canton, Jan. 5.

General Chang Wei-chung, Magistrate of Chungshan, has announced that forty Japanese marines left Wangcum Island near Macao on Monday afternoon. Last Saturday 100 Japanese marines from Wangcum attempted to land at Tongkawan in Chungshan but were repulsed, according to the Tai Chung news agency.

Chinese shell-fire struck three Japanese launches killing 30 marines, with an unknown number of Japanese wounded. The Chinese casualties were four killed and 20 wounded.

Four Japanese warships are still close to Tongkawan. It is the Magistrate's belief that an attempt to land at Chinsan is imminent. Martial law has been declared at Shekki, county seat of Chungshan district.

All Japanese have also evacuated Shangchun Island in the Tolshan coast. Chinese inhabitants who fled when the Japanese were there have returned and the Chinese authorities have given \$2,000 for the relief of the islanders. Tolshan residents will give \$5,000 for the same purpose.—Our own Correspondent.

U. S. Bans Photos Or Sketches Of Fortifications

Washington, Jan. 5.

Recent spy activity allegations have spurred the House of Representatives to swift action.

Mr. A. J. May, acting chairman of the Military Committee, urged immediate action, stating that it had come to the attention of the President and the War Department that there had been numerous photographs taken recently of United States defences on the Pacific coast, on the Panama Canal and at Manila.

The House approved of a Bill forbidding the making of photographs, sketches and maps of military and naval defences of the United States.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

LOYALISTS GAIN AT TERUEL

Paris, Jan. 5.

Desperate fighting in knee-deep snow and white camouflaged artillery firing at point blank range, gave the Government back control of some of the heights forming part of the Llaneta Spur, or the so-called Tooth of Teruel.

According to a Government account of the battle, 50 insurgent planes heavily bombed the slopes south-west of Teruel, but the attack was comparatively harmless owing to the poor visibility. Afterwards Government troops climbed through knee-deep snow and occupied the bomb craters.

An insurgent counter attack was allowed to get close to the camouflaged Government guns, which finally opened fire to inflict considerable slaughter.—Reuter.

Retiring From U.S. Supreme Court Shortly

Washington, Jan. 5.

Mr. Justice Sutherland has notified President Roosevelt that he is retiring from active service in the Supreme Court on January 18. This gives President Roosevelt a second opportunity of making an appointment to the Supreme Court.

When Justice Sutherland retires only two members of the Supreme Court, whom Administration circles regard as conservative, will remain, namely, Mr. Justice McFeyers, aged 75 and Mr. Justice Butler (71).

Mr. Justice Sutherland's retirement is cited by opponents to President Roosevelt's Bill to enlarge the Court as further evidence that it is unnecessary to "pack" the Supreme Court.—Reuter.

World's Trade Prospects Soon To Be Disclosed

Brussels, Jan. 5.

After M. Paul Van Zeeland had boarded the ship for Dover to-day, on a visit to London, he was handed an important communication and immediately left the vessel returning to Brussels.

It is now stated that he is going to London to-morrow. It is understood that his visit, on the invitation of the British Government, is in connection with the report he is completing following his enquiries into the possibilities of improving world trade.

Simultaneous publication of his report on world trade problems is expected to be made in London, Paris and Brussels next week.—Reuter Bulletin.

ITALY, AUSTRIA AND HUNGARY CONFER

Budapest, Jan. 5.

It is semi-officially announced that important talks between Italy, Austria and Hungary will open here on January 10.

Count Ciano, Dr. Kurt von Schuschnigg, Dr. Schmidt and Dr. Kanya will participate in the conversations, which are expected to last three days.—Reuter Bulletin.

OBJECT OF TALKS

Rome, Jan. 5.

It is understood the principal subject of the Italy-Austria-Hungary talks at Budapest will be the Italo-Yugoslav trade treaty signed in March, 1937. The Italian view is that the concessions then made in Yugoslavia's favour are now burdensome and unnecessary in view of the economic recovery of Austria and Hungary.—Reuter Bulletin.

BULGARIA TO GO TO POLLS

Sofia, Jan. 5.

King Boris signed a decree fixing March 6 as the date of the General Election in Bulgaria, which, for the past three years, has been under a semi-dictatorship.—Reuter Bulletin.

MADRID PREPARES FOR ASSAULT

Madrid, Jan. 5.

A decree has been published ordering all persons not engaged in services indispensable to the needs of war, to evacuate the city within 30 days.—Reuter Bulletin.

MAY BE TIENTSIN MAYOR

Peiping, Jan. 6.

Pan Yu-kwei, police chief here, has resigned and it is rumored that he is assuming the mayor's post in Tientsin.—United Press.

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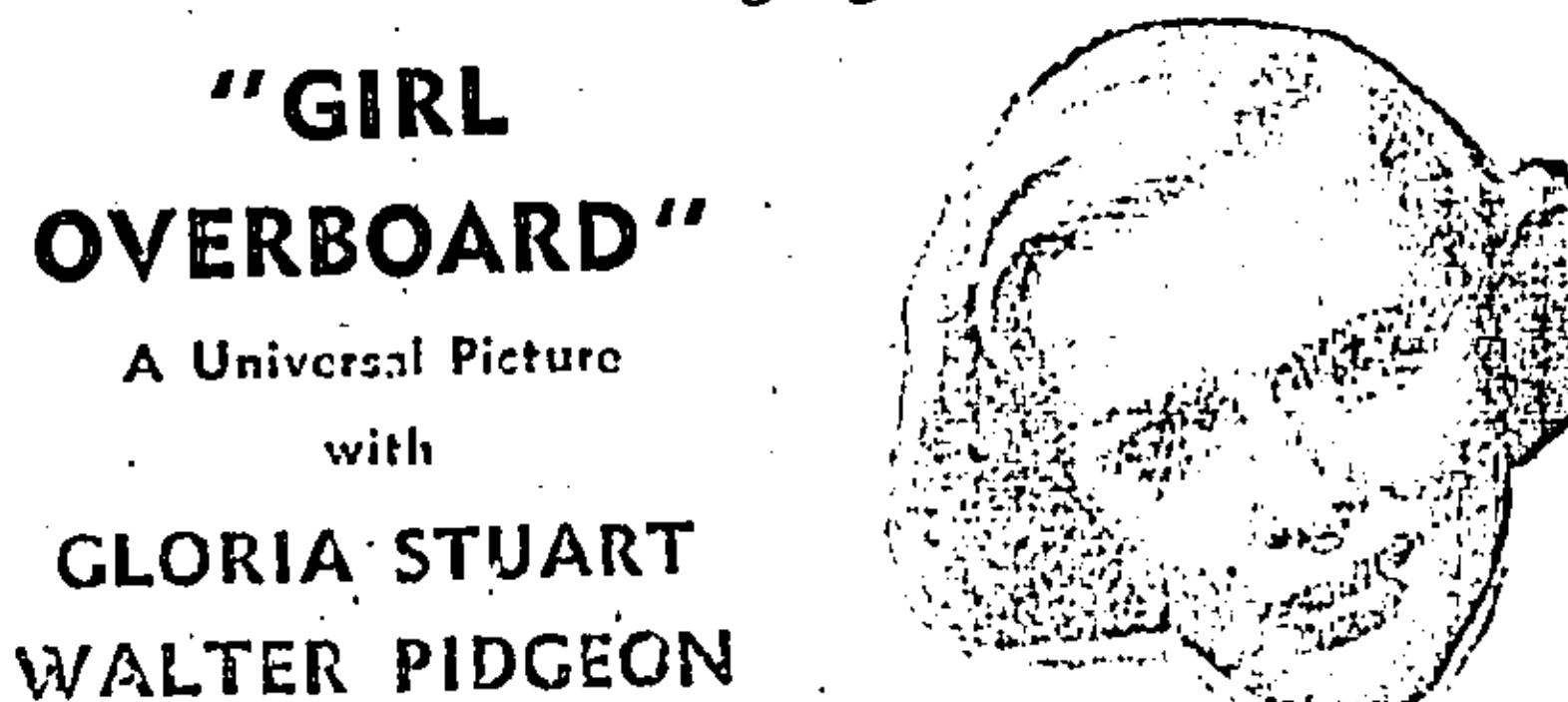
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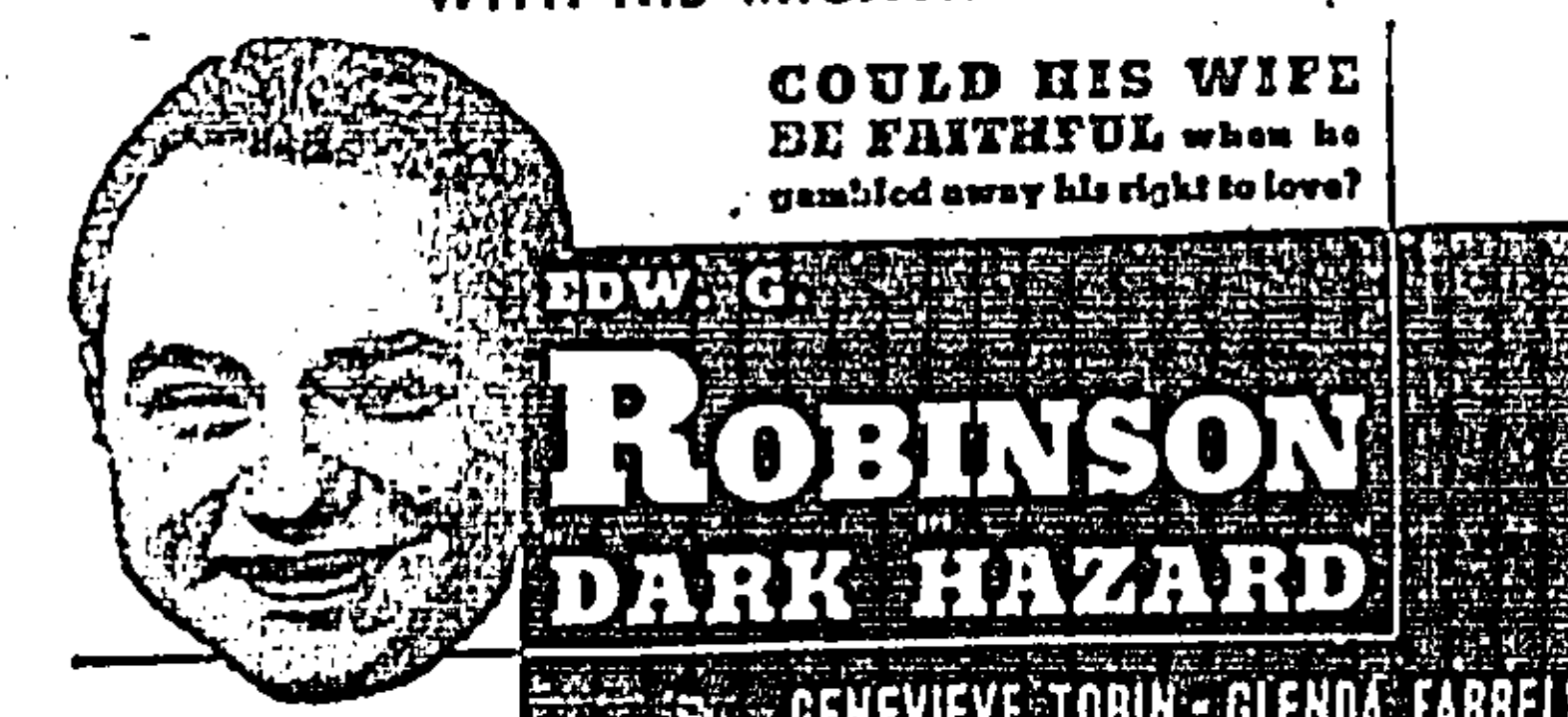
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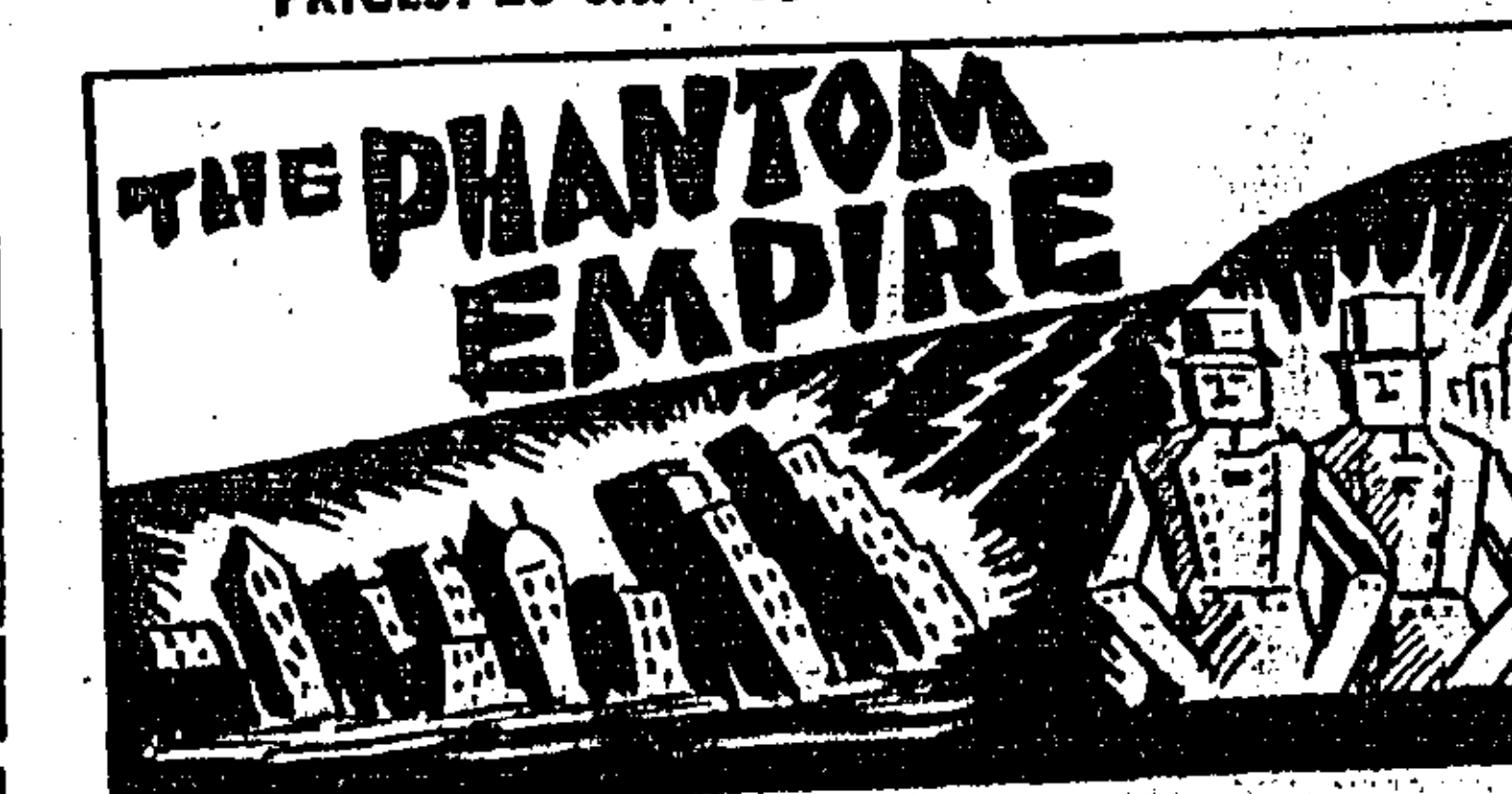


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Hendaye, Jan. 5.
A communique issued by the
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planes engaged 30 Loyalist machines
over Villastar. The Insurgents
claimed to have shot down eight
Government machines and to have
lost two themselves. However, the
Loyalists state that they lost no
planes, but shot down four of the
Insurgents.—United Press.

Mary Grace's Fashion News

TEA time is an important time of day in the English home, and perhaps that is one of the reasons why afternoon frocks play such a large part in the average wardrobe.

Once upon a time Paris was not enthusiastic about catering for our needs in this direction, but this season designers have excelled themselves. An elegance of detail and trimming is the keynote.

I noticed one particularly smart dress with no ornamentation of any kind except that down the front, in place of the usual rather large buttons, were three miniature umbrellas.

In addition, designers have borrowed many evening materials and made them up in plain tailored dress styles.

Taffetas, for instance, are particularly adaptable for the season's skirts, which are slowly but unmistakably getting shorter and shorter.

Silver or gold threaded fabrics that are a subdued version of the sparkling evening laces appear in demure styles, while the clinging qualities of supple silk jerseys render them most suitable for cunningly draped bodices and that front fullness on skirts.

Practically every style is sheathing to blow the waist, so that we cannot afford the slightest wrinkle in our foundation garments.

Necklines for the majority remain high, but transparent yokes or inserted motifs of net or chiffon, as well as delightfully attractive handwork, momentarily break this rather hard line.

Our artist has sketched four typical frocks illustrating fashion points from the mid-season's collections. Lace insets and tiny frills break the sleek line of the left-hand model.

The trio (inset) includes a new tunic cut high to throat in front and with a V back. The style has an edging of broderie anglaise.

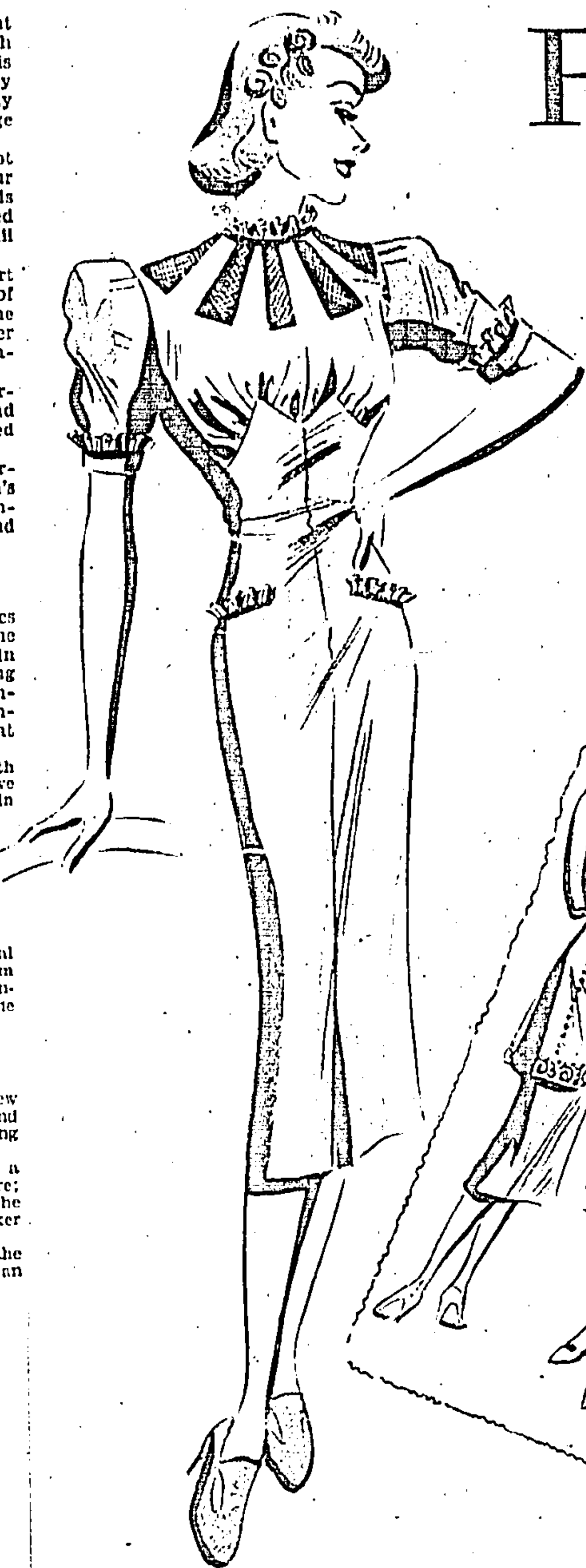
The trimming fashion is carried a stage farther in the centre figure; heavy wool embroidery is shown on the rounded bodice which is in a darker tone to the rest of the frock.

Stripes go round and round in the third frock, of taffeta, which sports an umbrella skirt.

OUT-to-TEA FROCKS

Wool Embroidery
Taffeta & Jersey
Net Yokes

Insets of net give an attractive yoke effect to the taffeta frock on the left. Below, interest centres on the back of a new tunic frock trimmed with broderie anglaise.



Bold wool embroidery on the bodice of the centre figure (above) offsets the simplicity of style. Right, an umbrella frock in striped taffeta.

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Kiddies

JUNIOR COLUMN

Try your hand at these tricks

TWELVE-YEAR-OLD Peter Harrison, sends in a good trick that will mystify your friends.

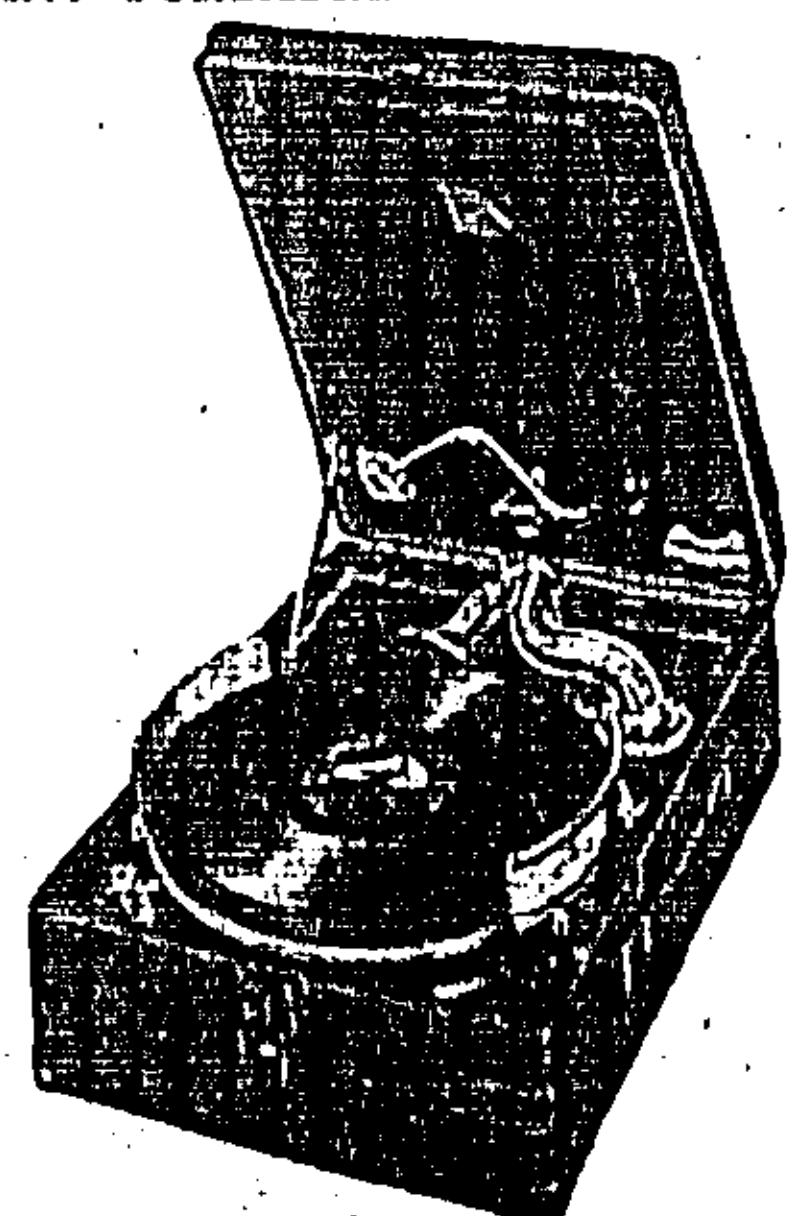
First, you must prepare a handkerchief with a hem-stitched border by slipping a match into the hem at one corner.

Then, holding it at this corner, you can remove the broken match shake out the handkerchief before your friends, to show that it is empty.

Now ask somebody to place a match in the centre of the handkerchief. Fold over the four corners, and in doing so slip the centre match into your hand, out of sight.

With the handkerchief all folded, ask somebody to break the match inside. Of course, they feel the match in the hem and break that one. But when you shake the handkerchief afterwards, you drop the unbroken match from your hand, as well as on the way out.

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Which left me guessing! Ten years ago I should have known just what to expect by such an invitation—an excursion into a dim Soho yard or mews, a climb up stone stairways, a scrutiny by a grimaced commissaire and an entrance into a fantastically decorated dance room with very little ventilation.

A bar in a corner kept busy by groups of six people sitting round a table meant for two; coffee in tall glasses, beer in mugs, gin and tonics the favourite drinks; here and there someone eating a kipper. Music supplied by a jazz band of three or a very good pianist; everyone dancing extremely well.

THIS sounded different. A swim suit! When I asked for an explanation over dinner I was told to "wait and see."

Finally we arrived at a huge block set in a semi-circle round a don't play games. The pool is free, garden. At the back of the entrance but there is a small charge for dressing room; squash courts 3s. for half an hour.

I looked round at the young people—for most of them were young. Alert, obviously in good condition. The girls seemed to use very little make-up, but those of them in hats wore the latest kind; they were all well turned out.

Although the club remains open until after midnight, I noticed a great thinning out by 10.30. "Girls who work, and most of the members do, have to be in bed at a reasonable hour to keep fit," I was assured.

MUNICIPAL baths, I find, have a larger proportion of women swimmers than they ever had before; skating clubs and rinks all over the country are crowded, especially on popular nights when only 1s. is charged. Girls spend money on skating boots, racquet or badminton outfits, instead of dance dresses! Keep-fit classes are crowded.

It looks as if the Ministry of Health is following a fashion instead of setting one, doesn't it? J. W. E.

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By Frances Day

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A DIET of fresh fruit and plenty of vegetables is necessary to cleanse the blood.

Tea and coffee should also be avoided as much as possible and quantities of cold water taken.

After a daily warm bath and cold sponge-down, rub the whole body vigorously with a rough towel until every limb is tingling.

If the blackheads are inflamed or open apply peroxide. Use no make-up while the blackheads are angry but simply apply a little antiseptic powder, and you'll regain a clear complexion and soft velvety skin.

Mustard Plaster

IN an emergency a mustard plaster can be made quite easily by mixing an equal quantity of flour and mustard and spreading on brown paper. Before applying, a layer of gauze should be laid on the skin to avoid blistering.

Cauliflower Pie

ONE cooked cauliflower;

1/4 lb mushrooms;

Seasoning;

A little grated cheese;

1/2 ozs flour;

2 1/2 ozs butter;

3/4 pint milk.

Have ready a medium-sized cauliflower cooked soft but not mushy. Break into pieces and arrange in a greased pie-dish. Melt the butter in a saucepan.

Prepare the mushrooms, cut into small pieces, and fry in the butter for about seven minutes. Add the flour and seasoning, and then gradually stir in three-quarter pint milk.

Stir till boiling over a low flame. Pour over the cauliflower, sprinkle with grated cheese, and place in a moderate oven for ten to 15 minutes. Brown under the grill. Serve at once.

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COMMENCING SATURDAY

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Pole Men Tell Of Sausage And Afternoon 'Tea Parties'

MEDIATOR



FOR PEACE.—German efforts to mediate peace in the Sino-Japanese war were seen in the sudden arrival of the German Ambassador to China, Oskar Trautmann, above, in Nanking. He refused to comment.

Doris Duke to Share Millions

From RICHARD JONES

Doris Duke, world's richest girl, sat in her palatial New York mansion recently reflecting on the embarrassment of riches while her husband, Mr. James Cromwell, author and economist, discussed with me the manner in which she proposed to dispose of her latest birthday gift of £2,000,000.

This gift, the second instalment of a trust fund established by her father, the late J. B. Duke, president of the American Tobacco Company, had just been paid to her on her 25th birthday.

"It's a lot of money," admitted her 40-years-old husband, himself a millionaire, "but what Doris is going to do with it is frankly nobody's business."

"It will be used to bring a greater measure of comfort, security and decency into the lives of those people who are less fortunate than ourselves."

Mr. Cromwell pointed out that the original legacy of £3,000,000 dollars left by his father-in-law shrank considerably during the world depression, and, whereas it might have been in the neighbourhood of £10,000,000 or even £12,000,000, to-day it was worth only £6,000,000, of which Mrs. Cromwell had received two-thirds.

He said that she could not divulge how the money had been spent.

"My wife prefers not to be pinned down to any plan. She has enough to think about as it is without going into detail," he said.

"Wealthy people now know of a way to dispose of money, and they prefer to do it quietly and without fuss."

"Perhaps she is a little young to know exactly what to do with the money, but she will have expert advice at her disposal and will herself nominate the charities to which she wishes to give."

"Of course, she's been inundated with begging and even threatening letters, but she is always getting them. We just don't take any notice—at least of the threats."

Dr. Cronin Surprise

New York. Dr. J. Cronin, who diagnosed Harley-street's illness in his book "The Citadel," revealed in Boston recently that he was thinking of becoming an American citizen and was likely to bring his wife and four-year-old son over here.

Dr. Cronin, who is on the way to Hollywood, said he would allow the filming of "The Citadel" only on condition that he was given direct control of the production.

SCOTIA AFRICA

LOCOMOTIVE ORDERS FOR GERMANY

Capetown. The South African Railway Administration has ordered 17 new locomotives from Krupp, of Essen. It was recently announced that the South African railway had placed a contract for locomotives worth £1,200,000 with the German firms, Henschel and Sohn and the Berliner Maschinenbau.—*Reuter*.

£20,000,000 for Roads.—It is now believed that the scheme for constructing 5,400 miles of national roads, due for completion in 1942, will cost £20,000,000 instead of the £11,000,000 originally estimated. The difference is due to a decision to macadamise the roads.

Life at the North Pole was described by Krenkel, one of the four Russian scientists there, in a message read out from Moscow radio recently. He told how they cook sausages, how they have founded a "chemist's shop," how they manage in their cramped "canvas house."

The four scientists are Papanin, Krenkel, Shirshov, and Fedorov. Krenkel is the radio operator.

The message said: "You would like to know our address, I suppose."

"We are now on latitude 83deg. 38mins. north. If you go along the north-east coast of Greenland, branch off to your right and walk on the ice for 125 miles, you will be sure to find us."

"You have probably heard of the ten tin which we live. I object to it being called a tent. It is our house, a house with a canvas roof."

"In order to get into it you first have to open a flap, bending very low if you do not want a heap of snow down your neck, and then open a very tight-fitting rubber door."

"AVOID CEILING"

"We have got used to this door by now and manage to get through it carrying teapots and saucepans with our dinner. You, however, would find difficulty in opening the door."

"Now that winter has come we have got a lot of things in our house and I have evolved a set of rules which I follow closely whenever I get inside my sleeping bag or change my clothes."

"Rule 1.—Avoid sharp corner of the table when getting into sleeping bag."

"Rule 2.—Avoid sharp metal bolt on the ceiling when getting up."

"Rule 3.—When putting on trousers avoid upsetting lamp with the right foot and Shirshov's writing desk with the left."

"Our most treasured possession is our well-worn file which contains the result of our labours. We have trained our selves to the thought that this file is far more important than our own heads."

LUXURIES

"We have several luxuries in our house. There is a metal plate over our lamp put there to protect the roof. That is where we put our sausages. Thus we can go one better than many a restaurant run by the Moscow Food Trust; we can have hot sausages at any time of the day."

"Then we have our chemist's shop. A few days ago we 'put the jars' on Shirshov who had a chill. It was a priceless sight and we all roared with laughter, including the patient."

"He has recovered now. The general opinion is that the jars did it. But I strongly suspect that laughter was the cause of the speedy cure."

"('Putting on jars' is a favourite Russian method of treating chills on the chest. A candle stump is lit and put inside a glass jar. The mouth of the jar is then applied to the affected part and suction is supposed to draw out the ailment.)"

After this message was read, Moscow switched on to Prague. The Pole scientists listened to a greeting from M. Nedvedy, Czech Athletic man "on behalf of the people of Czechoslovakia."



PROMOTED.—Mrs. Zhemchuzhina-Karpovskaya-Molo-off, wife of the Russian Premier and head of the Soviet State cosmetic trust, recently appointed Vice Commissioner for Internal Supply, according to announcement in Moscow. She visited the United States in 1936 and was a luncheon guest of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt in the White House. Her cosmetic trust is most successful.

NEW ZEALAND

MORE FOREIGN TRADE

Wellington. A marked expansion in New Zealand's foreign trade is revealed by the figures for the first 10 months of this year.

Exports, in English currency amounted approximately to £40,549,000, compared with £30,887,200 for the same period last year, and imports to £37,284,000, compared with £28,000,400.—*Reuter*.

Two British Women Are White Angels Of Jungle

Release Plan For Army Officer

The Home Secretary is considering the release from custody of ex-Lieutenant Austin C. Duffield, who, in June 1927, was condemned to death for the murder of Lieut. Colonel J. S. Fitzgerald, his commanding officer.

A week after the execution day had been fixed the sentence was commuted to penal servitude for life.

Duffield was in the East Surrey Regiment, which was stationed at Gibraltar.

He said at his trial: "It was better that one man should die than the whole regiment should be ruined."

He blamed Colonel Fitzgerald for "extra work given to subalterns," and said he meant to use the second shot in his revolver on himself, but had to fire both at his victim.

He has now been in Maidstone Jail for ten years.

SPECIAL EMPIRE CABLES

AUSTRALIAN LOAN PLAN ATTACKED

Sydney. Mr. Curtin, leader of the Opposition, and Mr. Scullin, the former Socialist Prime Minister, launched a new attack on the Lyon Government over the proposal to borrow £2,500,000 in London for defence equipment.

They urged that the money should be raised by special internal tax on high incomes.

Mr. Casey, the Treasurer in the Federal Cabinet, emphasised that the proposal in no way represented a return to general London borrowings.

Although the Federal revenue from July 1 to Nov. 30 this year was nearly £2,000,000 more than for the same period last year, and savings banks totals had largely increased, Labour, in consequence of the fall in wheat and wool prices, was demanding immediate preparation for another depression within a year.

Shortage of Engineers.—Rearmament is leading to unusual competition between England and Australia for skilled engineers and artisans. Australian industries, already employed on munition work, complain of shortage of skilled labour, and urge the immigration of artisans from Great Britain. Hundreds of Australian engineers, seeking experience in England in the past year, have been snapped up on arrival.

Bontany Day Memories.—There is some criticism of the "over-sensationalism" of the 130th anniversary celebrations committee in forbidding all references to convicts during the celebrations. Mr. Herbert J. Ramsey, President of the Society of Genealogists, has privately published biographies of all those who arrived with Capt. Phillip in 1788. He says that there is no need to ask whether they were sent out to Botany Bay.

CAKES AND SWEETS And Every thing were provided for youngsters at the K.C.C. Annual Children's Party, to which the kiddies invariably look forwards each year. This youngster is certainly enjoying himself.—*Staff Photographer*.

MOTHERING 2,000 CHILD REFUGEES

Nairobi.

Two British women, the only white women in the jungle, have become guardian angels in the refugee camp which 6,000 Abyssinians, men, women and children, fleeing the Italian "clean-up" campaign, are hacking out of the jungle as their new home on the banks of the Siolo River, Northern Kenya.

The last Abyssinian stragglers, worn and weary, trickled over the frontier recently to come under their care.

The two women are Mrs. Bennett, superintendent, and Mrs. McKenna, wife of Dr. McKenna, the hospital superintendent and herself a qualified doctor.

They live in their husbands' tents. Mrs. McKenna has assumed responsibility for all the women and children. She has won the confidence of hundreds of orphaned children, and the ailing ones come without fear to her clinic daily.

The two women have organised a daily children's parade for the milk ration, when 2,000 children cheerfully line the river bank.

Mrs. McKenna has trained some of the elder girls as hospital nurses. The girls are very proud of their white uniforms with the red cross.

The camp site, which the British authorities in Kenya have provided for them, will be a jungle city when it is finished.

It is rectangular and the lanes are laid out on most modern lines. All able-bodied men are busy building new homes of primitive materials like tree-poles and grass.

Some are already finished and the interiors are decorated with a few precious household goods saved from the wreckage of their homes in Abyssinia and carried thousands of weary miles to refuge.

About 175 wounded and ill are in the hospital, which was the first building put up by the British authorities. Most are recovering from disease caused by lack of food.

The jungle city will be the Abyssinians' home for many months, until the British authorities decide what to do with them.

BENEFACTOR TO BRITAIN IN NAZI GAOL

A London report that the anonymous Hamburg merchant who in October endowed a German "Rhodes" scholarship is Herr Alfred C. Toepfer, who is now in gaol, has been confirmed in the following message.

Hamburg.

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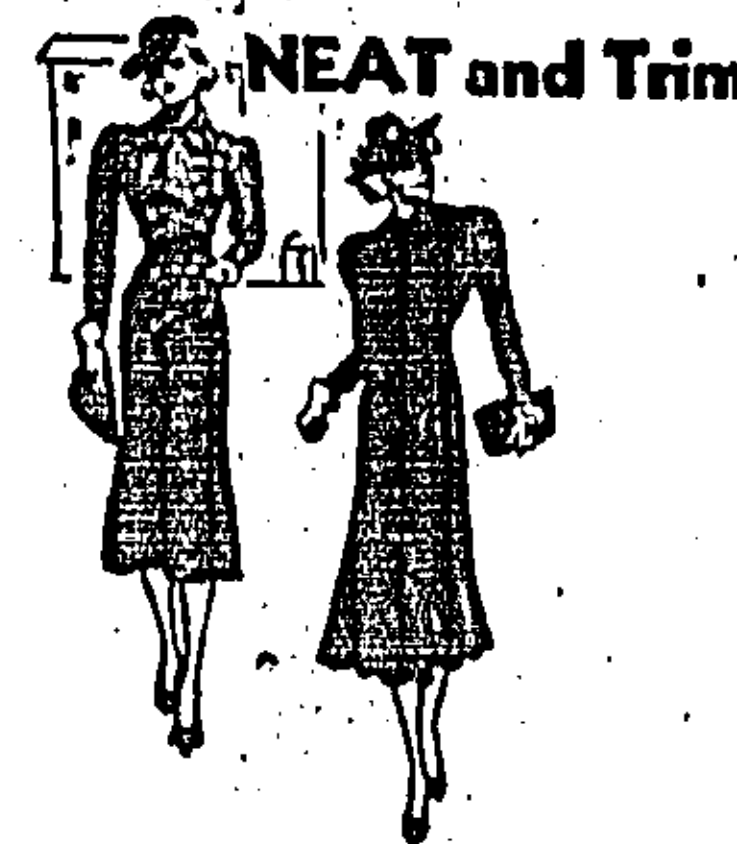
It is learned here that he has been in prison since charges of infringing the German currency regulations were brought against him and several members of his staff a fortnight ago.

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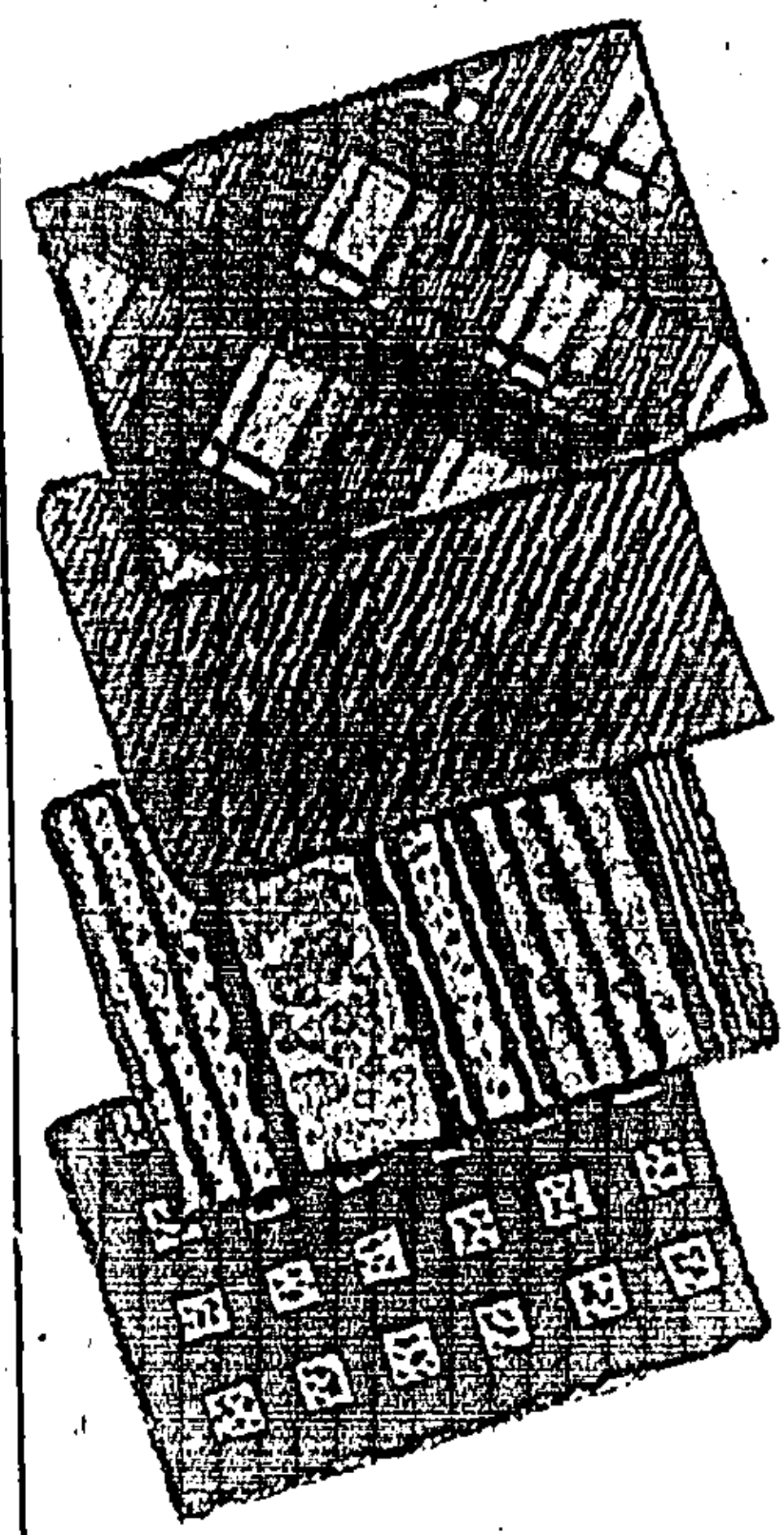
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PROPOSAL TO CHANGE A SHIP'S NAME

I Stuart Taylor Williamson of Hongkong hereby give notice that I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the ship "HWAH CHONG" of Shanghai of gross tonnage 2,502.95 tons, register tonnage 1,445.57 tons, heretofore owned by The Nelson Steamship Co., Ltd., of Shanghai for the permission to change her name to "ASIAN" and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of Hongkong as owned by The Ling Nam Steamship Co., Ltd.

Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hongkong within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement.

(Signed) S. T. WILLIAMSON.
Hongkong, January 4, 1938.

WINTER HERE AT LAST Temperature Drops Suddenly

Winter came to Hongkong yesterday.

Temperature, which has remained above sixty degrees since the end of summer, dropping suddenly to a minimum of 53 degrees, and humidity, which was almost near a record for January early in the week, fell by almost ten per cent. to 57 per cent.

Last night's minimum temperature was 53 degrees, compared with a minimum of 65 degrees a week ago. For the 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. today the temperature did not rise above 60 degrees. Humidity at 10 a.m. was 75 per cent, compared with 85 per cent. a week ago.

Fresh north-easterly winds should ensure a continuance of ideal conditions for the next 24 hours. The official forecast, issued by the Royal Observatory at 10 a.m., predicts fair weather.

No rainfall has been registered since yesterday morning.

EMPLOYMENT GAINING IN GREAT BRITAIN

The Minister of Labour estimates that at December 31, 1937 the number of insured persons in employment in Great Britain, exclusive of persons within agricultural scheme, was approximately 11,437,000. This was 130,000 less than the month before, but on comparable basis 200,000 more than the year before. A substantial part of decline was due to severe weather on the day of the count which interrupted outdoor occupations.

At the same date the numbers of registered unemployed totalled 1,605,407, comprising 1,283,604 wholly unemployed, 224,770 temporarily laid off, and 97,024 normally in casual employment. This was 106,204 more than a month before. As compared with the year before there was on a comparable basis, a decrease of about 51,000 in the numbers wholly unemployed, including casuals, but an increase of about 145,000 in the numbers temporarily laid off.—British Wireless.

MARYSE HILSE RESCUED

Arrives At Jask With Bedouins
Plane Wrecked In Desert

Basra, Jan. 5. Miss Maryse Hilse arrived at Jask after a two-days' trek across the desert on camel back, accompanied by a party of Bedouins. Her aeroplane, slightly damaged, was left in the desert.

Miss Hilse stated that when she left Saigon in her attempt to establish a second record, she knew the engine was not in condition to face bad weather, but she was determined to beat the record. Violent storms forced her to abandon the attempt across the Gulf, and when she decided to fly northwards along the coast, she met thunderstorms and heavy rain.

Suddenly her engine failed and she contemplated jumping with a parachute, but finally made a forced landing between Jask and Bandar Abbas.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S NEW JUSTICES

London, Jan. 5. Lord Roche has resigned his office as Lord of Appeal in Ordinary. His Majesty has approved of the appointments of Sir M. L. Rorer as Lord of Appeal in Ordinary; Sir A. C. Clarendon as Lord Justice of Appeal; Mr. F. D. Morrison, K.C., as Justice of the High Court in Chancery Division.—Reuter Special.

SUITSUGU'S VIEWS CLASH WITH AVOWED POLICY OF JAPAN

(Continued from Page 1.)

Settlement to Britain, America and other Powers.

"Admiral Suitsugu says the mercantile interests of the white race must melt before the sun of the Japanese mission. The economic strength of Japan is greater than anyone can imagine. The first part of that statement says the Daily Express, 'is unlikely; the second part untrue.'"

The Birmingham Post says that British Ministers have no desire to squabble over the innumerable intemperately outbursts of excited Japanese patriots, but it would be difficult to overlook this outrageous challenge coming from a Japanese Minister.

"Not Surprising"

The influential Yorkshire Post states that from the outset of the Japanese invasion the Powers must have foreseen that the Japanese would seek one means or another to obtain possession of the international Settlement, which apart from the intrinsic wealth, holds the key to trade and finance of the Yangtze. Hence there is nothing surprising in the Japanese charge of lack of efficiency of the Settlement police, though as all the world is aware, the charge is a monstrous perversion of the facts.

"If the Japanese," the paper continues, "expect that economic exploitation of China can be ensured by brute force, they are destined eventually to be unseated at great cost to themselves. Military occupation, sketchily of the whole of the Chinese coastal area must involve an enormous and very costly effort."

"In Japan's own interests it must be hoped that authority will yet be recovered by those Japanese with international experience who have learnt that not the display or exercise of force, but the creation of friendly confidence is the only means of inducing friendly co-operation."

Business circles with interests in China stress the significance and rapidity with which the Japanese are effecting the transition to-day describes the Suitsugu interview as grossly misquoted and mistranslated, and tones down the whole statement.

As regards the Japanese demands in Shanghai, confidence is expressed that the British and American Governments will promptly take the matter up with Tokyo. It is pointed out that private advices from Shanghai suggest that the Japanese authorities have been trying to show regard for foreign interests.

Tokyo Anxiety

The usually well-informed Vernon Bartlett, of the News Chronicle, says, "Various reports to London from the Far East emphasise both the growing anxiety of the Japanese, including even the military in Tokyo, to avoid further incidents involving international intervention, and the confidence that they can hold roughly on the present lines for a very considerable period." No information has yet been received by the Foreign Office about the new Japanese demands regarding the International Settlement.

It is pointed out that the Japanese, for several years, have been seeking greater representation on the Municipal Council.

It is surmised that the Council has communicated the demands to the consular authorities. It is expected that those demands, which might affect the interests of other countries, such as the request to alter the land regulations, will be submitted to the governments concerned before the Council answers.—Reuter.

Wong Chai, 14, was removed to the Queen Mary Hospital for treatment to head injuries caused by falling or jumping off a tram at Johnston Road.

PRIVILEGE PLEADED

Alleged Slander in S.C.A. Offices

Interesting Legal Point

Arising out of words alleged to have been uttered at the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, a Chinese investor and labour contractor brought an action for slander against a woman before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell at the Summary Court this morning.

The plaintiff was Yuen Lok-kam, labour and transport contractor for the Takoo Sugar Refinery. He sought \$1,000 damages for slander from Tsang Fung-choi for having falsely and maliciously spoken and published of him at the S.C.A. on November 22 last that he was a No. 1 gangster. He is a No. 1 gangster. (Lan Chi Tai.)

According to the statement of claim, defendant was further alleged to have uttered on the same day in Connaught Road Central, near the doorway of the S.C.A. and in the presence of Messrs. Leung Che-ying, Tsang Fung-ku and other bystanders, the following words: "He is a No. 1 gangster. He forced Tsang Fung-choi to sign a promissory note in his favour by threatening Tsang Fung-ku with a revolver. He did the same thing with another person called Mak King-wan, thus defrauding them of several thousand dollars. On his request I gave false evidence for him in Court."

CLAIMS PRIVILEGE

The statement of defence was a complete denial of the words, and spoken they were incapable of a defamatory or actionable meaning. Further, the defence claimed privilege in relation to any words spoken in the presence of Mr. Minnie and others as under statutory authority vested in him.

For the plaintiff, Mr. M. A. da Silva said that in respect of the second part of the slander, the words were uttered in the corridor of the S.C.A. and not near the doorway as stated in the pleadings. Previously the S.C.A. had claimed privilege for its staff and others under statutory authority vested in him.

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STRONG OBJECTION

Mr. D. McCallum, for the defence, said he was not prepared to answer for anything except those things mentioned in the pleadings. His Lordship thereupon suggested that an amendment be made, but this was strongly objected to by Mr. McCallum who said he believed the reason for the objection was that Mr. Silva had now discovered there was someone in the S.C.A. who could give evidence and was trying to substantiate that testimony by saying that the slander was uttered in the corridor and not near the doorway.

Clarifying the position, Mr. Silva said that throughout he had been instructed by his client that the slander was uttered not near the doorway, as the unfortunate wording of the pleadings might lead one to believe, but in the corridor. He was under the impression that the wording was correct, otherwise he would have applied for an amendment earlier.

His Lordship remarked that under the circumstances he could not resist the amendment.

Dealing with the action itself, Mr. Silva said there were actually three slanders, one of which related to an actual case in Court in which Tsang Fook had alleged that plaintiff had threatened him into signing a promissory note.

MATTER BEFORE S.C.A.

There had been, continued Mr. Silva, for the past eight years intimate connections between the parties in the present action until recently when there was a break, as a result of which certain demands were made of plaintiff by defendant. Plaintiff referred the matter to the S.C.A. and defendant was sent for on November 22. She denied the allegations and said that the only demand she had made was for money to redeem a gold bangle which plaintiff had pawned.

Mr. McCallum interposed at this stage and said he claimed privilege for the fact of the S.C.A. being a domestic tribunal people could go there and speak their minds.

Mr. Silva replied that there could not be privilege in the S.C.A. as it could not enforce laws.

RESERVES DECISION

His Lordship reserved his decision on this point, and Mr. Silva then went off to deal with the slander and of how the words came to be uttered. The first witness called was Lok Po, a doorman of the S.C.A. for the past 28 years. Witness testified to having seen plaintiff and defendant enter the office together and of having heard of the second part of the slander immediately they came out of it.

Cross-examined witness said he was familiar with all sorts of scolding at the S.C.A., but the reason why this one attracted his attention was because of the mention of a woman and No. 1 gangster. Plaintiff did not make any reply to what the woman said.

The case is proceeding.

H.M.S. Duchess arrived from Swallow early this morning and is now berthed at No. 8 buoy.

DENIES THREAT OF WAR

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admitted the patriotism and strong will of the Japanese people as a nation. Facts convinced him over 30 years ago, while he was still a boy in Austria, that an understanding between the two nations was natural.

WOULD DISTURB PEACE

"The peace of Europe is not likely to be disturbed by the Fascist nations, in the opinion of Count Mushiokoji. Germany has, for instance, great interests in Central and Eastern Europe which she can much better develop in peace than in wartime. Italy, similarly, needs peace in order to develop and exploit Ethiopia. 'Some countries in Europe seek peace one way, some countries another, but the aim, I believe is universal,' he added.

"The fact that outwardly there seems to be little concrete in the way of agreements does not mean that the nations are at loggerheads," commented the Ambassador. "When Lord Halifax visited Germany the newspapers apparently believed that he went to discuss concrete problems. When no concrete result was reached they believed that conversations had failed. That is not so, for nothing concrete was attempted and the conversations which were merely of a friendly nature and a discussion of points of interest did not need to have concrete results to be successful."

ANTI JAPANESE FEELING

At present the anti-Japanese feeling in Europe is not great, in the opinion of Count Mushiokoji. "Following the various incidents" feeling has run fairly high," he said. "After the matter has been settled things return to normal very quickly, however. In Germany itself the people, as well as the leaders of the nation, feel a bond between themselves and Japan. Even before the Great War there was a bond between these two nations. To-day that bond is being strengthened; but Britain and France need not fear that because of this they cannot also be friendly with Germany and Japan."

Commenting on the aid which Germany is apparently giving China, Count Mushiokoji stated that the German Government was attempting successfully to prevent the export of war materials to China. Rolling stock such as the locomotives which arrived on the Peking line which he himself travelled from Europe, cannot be considered as war material, he said, but exports of explosives and chemicals were being restricted. There will be little German capital used in the future development of the new Chinese Government, in the opinion of the Ambassador.

"However, I am sure that German experts and German machinery will be used very extensively," Count Mushiokoji, who is the guest of Mr. T. Nakamura, the local Consul-General, to-day, will continue to Japan to-morrow evening on the Potsdam.

Urges Japan To Spiritual Mobilisation

Finance Minister Asks Public To Support Army

Tokyo, Jan. 6.

Stronger support from the whole nation for the Government's financial policy in order to achieve the objective of the current hostilities, was urged by the Finance Minister to-day in a message to the people of Japan.

"The nation behind the guns should leave nothing undone to cope with the situation arising from prolonged hostilities, especially in giving strong support to the Government's policies for financing our military operations," he said.

Pointing to the various problems at home abroad with which Japan is confronted, the Finance Minister emphasised the necessity for "spiritual mobilisation" to bring about a satisfactory solution. He then voiced the hope that the military operations of the Japanese forces would be crowned "with success in glorious victory."—Reuter.

LOCOMOTIVES ON POTSDAM FOR CANTON

Before berthing at Kowloon Wharf this morning the German N.D.L. liner Potsdam pulled in under the heavy lift crane at Takoo Dockyard and two large locomotives were unloaded from which were built in Germany are consigned to China and came from Europe as deck cargo on the Potsdam. Being too unwieldy to handle at the wharf the locomotives, which are already assembled and each of which can only be handled by a special crane, were lifted off the deck at Takoo and will later be transported across the harbour and put onto the rails at Kowloon to make the trip to Canton.

BRITISH RAILWAYS' HIGHER RECEIPTS

London, Jan. 5. Railway traffic totals for 1937 aggregated £104,062,000, an increase of £7,100,000 on 1936. The increase demonstrates a greater industrial and commercial activity of the country last year.—British Wireless.

With her both legs scalded, Mak Kan, 22, was removed to the Queen Mary Hospital for treatment. She was working at the Tin Yau Cafe, Wellington Street, when a pot of boiling water was upset.

A decree has been published ordering all persons not engaged in services indispensable to the needs of war, to evacuate the city within 80 days.—Reuter Bulletin.

Mine-Sweeper On Fire At Portsmouth

Portsmouth, Jan. 5. The crew quickly extinguished fire on the mine-sweeper Hebe believed to have been caused by an electric spark igniting shavings.

This was the second fire at Portsmouth within four days, and the fourth fire on British warships in five weeks.

On January 2 the new city class cruiser, Birmingham, caught on fire at Portsmouth. On December 22 the forepart of the cruiser Arethusa caught alight eight miles from Malta and on December 2 an oil tank on H.M.S. Queen Elizabeth was ablaze at Portsmouth.—United Press.

LOYALISTS GAIN AT TERUEL

Paris, Jan. 5. Desperate fighting in knee-deep snow and with a camouflaged artillery firing at point blank range, gave the Government back control of some of the heights forming part of the Llanueta Spur, or the so-called Tooth of Teruel.

According to a Government account of the battle, 58 insurgent planes heavily bombed the slopes south-west of Teruel, but the attack was comparatively harmless owing to the poor visibility. Afterwards Government troops climbed through knee-deep snow and occupied the bomb craters.

An insurgent counter attack was allowed to get close to the camouflaged Government guns, which finally opened fire to inflict considerable slaughter.—Reuter.

Retiring From U.S. Supreme Court Shortly

Washington, Jan. 5. Mr. Justice Sutherland has notified President Roosevelt that he is retiring from active service in the Supreme Court on January 18. This gives President Roosevelt a second opportunity of making an appointment to the Supreme Court.

When Justice Sutherland retires only two members of the Supreme Court, whom Administration regards as conservative, will remain, namely, Mr. Justice McReynolds, aged 75 and Mr. Justice Butler (71).

Mr. Justice Sutherland's retirement is cited by opponents to President Roosevelt's Bill to enlarge the Court as further evidence that it is necessary to "pack the Supreme Court."—Reuter.

Missionaries Included In Defence Plan

Darwin, Jan. 5.

Three missions on the 1,000-mile, desolate Arnhemland coast are co-operating with the Australian navy's northern intelligence defence scheme.

Special codes of instructions for use in wartime have been issued to the missionaries who will co-ordinate with signal fires by which it is proposed the Aborigines will notify the approach of strange ships.—Reuter.

Zionists Urge Resumption Of Immigration

Representations To Colonial Office

London, Jan. 5.

It is learned that the World Zionist Organisation will immediately make representations to the Colonial Office with regard to the Palestine White Paper, urging restoration of Jewish immigration to Palestine up to the economic capacity of the country.

Speaking in London to-day, Professor Brodetsky, of the organisation, said that artificial reduction of immigration was causing an economic crisis in Palestine and severe distress to large numbers of Jews in Eastern and Central Europe who were persecuted and looked to Palestine as their only hope.

Clearly the British Government envisaged a long delay before it expected to be in a position to formulate a final policy. This delay was deeply deplored and it was incumbent on the mandatory administration to see that meanwhile the life and work of the country should proceed as far as possible on normal lines.—Reuter.

MADRID PREPARES FOR ASSAULT

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Businessmen In Shanghai Still Hopeful

But There Must Be Losses

Shanghai, Jan. 6. Prerequisites for the restoration of normal trading conditions in Shanghai are the re-opening of communications, the establishing of free markets and continuing financial support. This belief was expressed by Mr. Calder Marshall, Chairman of the British Chamber of Commerce, when interviewed.

He said there were no glowingly optimistic prospects in the forthcoming year. "That would not be facing realities, and that is what we Britons must do. We must face realities and face the fact that there are going to be losses. The position is not hopeless. That would be swinging to the other extreme."

"Shanghai businessmen, and I think I speak for all nationalities, have guts enough to stick it out in this city. Most of them would say 'It's going to cost something, but muckel we'll stick it.' They have confidence in the inherent resiliency of the Chinese people and their ability to meet trouble bravely."—Reuter.

FAIL TO STAMP RECEIPTS

SHOP-KEEPERS MUST PAY FINES

Several Chinese shop-keepers were summoned before Mr. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning for failing to stamp receipts for sums exceeding \$20.

Ho Hung, of the Ho Hung Kee firm, 110 First Street, was fined \$10 for not stamping a receipt for \$23.31. A folk of the Ma Po Shan firm, 203 Des Voeux Road Central, was similarly fined for allowing a receipt for \$27.37 to be unstamped. Wing Shun Hing firm, Lockhart Road, was fined \$10 for failing to put a duty stamp on a receipt for \$21.37, while Wong Hung-yuen, of the Kwong Tak Loong firm, 2 Tai Hang Street, Salween, was also fined \$10 for aiding and abetting Young to leave the receipt unstamped.

Lai Yau-wan, of 1 Connaught Road West, who admitted he failed to place a stamp on a receipt for \$27.50 was fined \$10, and Wong Kiu, of the Sai Ito tea-house, 44 Main Street, Salween, was fined the same amount for aiding and abetting Lai to leave the receipt unstamped.

A fine of \$5 was imposed on Chan Tso-fun, of the Tso Lee firm, 123 Jervois Street, who admitted that he had placed a five-cent postage stamp on a receipt for \$30 instead of a 10-cent duty stamp.

London Stock Exchange Improves

London, Jan. 5.

Encouraging Wall Street news helped further the improvement in sentiment on the London Stock Exchange to-day, while business, though still of a professional character, was more active, especially among speculative issues.

Kaffirs were especially good until near the close when substantial profits had been realised. The gains, however, were not without reason. The firm in sympathy with the Argentine and rubber advanced on Russian buying. Metals rallied owing to better American advices. Wall Street opened firmer.—Reuter Special.

DISPOSITION OF H.M. VESSELS

The following is the disposition of H. M. Ships in North China: Shanghai, H.M.S. Folkestone; Tsing-tao, H.M.S. Dorsetshire and Grimsby; Chefoo, H.M.S. Delight; Weihaiwei, H.M.S. Sandwich; Amoy, H.M.S. Thracian; Swatow, H.M.S. Dartmouth. On Passage, H.M.S. Glowworm to Chefoo via Min River entrance.

NEW U.S. UNITS FOR FAR EAST

San Francisco, Jan. 5. The U.S. transport, Chaumont, sailed to-day with 600 marines, soldiers and sailors for replacement duty in China, Hawaii and Guam.—United Press.

DREDGING HARBOUR

The Harbour Office states that dredging operations have commenced within the cable reserve between the City of Victoria and the South end of the Kowloon Peninsula. Shipping is warned to keep clear of the dredgers.

DANGER TO SHIPPING

The Master of the S. S. Pronto has reported to the Harbour Office that a derelict submerged junk has been observed in Lat. 21 degrees 54 minutes North, Long. 113 degrees 45 minutes East, which is considered dangerous to navigation.

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The P.P.U. hopes to arrange further gatherings of this nature in the immediate future.

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30 Industrials	124.61	124.6
20 Rails	29.80	29.1
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CENSORS TREAD ON SHANGHAI TOES

So far unexplained, and seemingly unwarranted, the Japanese military authorities' action in Shanghai in placing censors in all cable offices in the International Settlement can be expected to cause something of a stir. If the appointment of censors by the Japanese to act in the Chinese Government radio offices was not altogether surprising, this latest development is a very different matter. The cable offices affected are operated by foreign-owned companies of neutral nationality and they are on neutral soil. The Japanese action would appear to be a denial of that neutrality. There can be little more excuse for the Japanese placing censors in the cable offices of the Settlement than in cable offices in any other neutral port. Moreover, the Settlement itself established a censorship in 1932, and as far as Hongkong authorities are aware that system was still in operation when the Japanese usurped the responsibility of authorised officials.

The effect of this censorship will not be immediately apparent, perhaps; for fortunately there seems no likelihood of the employees of the cable offices refusing to work under such circumstances, as did the staffs of the Chinese Government in the International Radio Offices. Were such a stoppage to materialise in the cable offices it would be serious indeed.

Meanwhile, because the Japanese censors walked into the Chinese radio offices and the staffs walked out, the twelve Shanghai wireless stations are silent. This throws an additional burden on the cable companies, and already they are burdened enough, what with faulty connections and no cable ship yet available to effect repairs. The ship is on her way, however.

If there is any further interference with Shanghai's communications and any serious inconvenience to business, the reaction will unquestionably be directed against the Japanese who are insisting upon this ap-

"I RECKON that just about hits the nail on the head,"

he said. I had seen that Martin was reading Stuart Gelder's article "You Coward!" (which gave the view of a young wife who was upbraiding her husband for wavering in his allegiance to a peace pledge.) I had put the paper down and was thinking about what she said.

"Don't you agree?" he said. "I wish I could." "You surely don't support the idea of war?"

He's twenty-two, just getting his teeth into a decent job in an underwriter's office. There's a girl, too. I didn't quite know what to say. I could see he was half on fire about it. He said: "Hang it all, you know what war is. You were in it. You've said a dozen times you'd have to be fetched between fixed bayonets next time."

"I know." I was feeling pretty miserable.

HE said: "You've said: 'Make the slightest concession that you'll fight for this or that and you'll be caught—caught in the same old filthy, murderous and futile business, killing decent ordinary folk with whom you've no sort of quarrel.'"

"Yes." "Well? Are you going back on it?"

"It's not so easy as it was." "The propaganda's got you—as you said it might if you deviated an inch."

He was a bit scornful. "Look here, Martin," I said. "Are you happy about what happened to Abyssinia and about what's happening in China?"

Happy! "Does any means suggest itself to you of stopping militarists from doing what they're doing except by force?"

He said: "What good would killing decent Italians do? Would you burn up a child in Tokyo for one destroyed in Nan-king? Would you sack Yokohama to set off the destruction of Shanghai? An eye for an

parently unreasonable censor-ship.

Meanwhile, according to messages from London, the recent remarks of Admiral Nobumasa Suetsugu, the new Japanese Interior Minister, have caused a stir in England. Speaking of the continued assistance which China is receiving from foreign powers in resistance to the Japanese invasion, Admiral Suetsugu is reported to have declared that such sources of supply would have to be cut off. In this connection he observed: "If Japan comes to clash with Great Britain that cannot be helped." Such words can be interpreted in at least two ways; and either way they are disquieting. If Admiral Suetsugu is merely expressing a fatalistic indifference to such a development as that he mentions, it would seem to indicate a lack of vigour; for statesmen, we have been taught to suppose, at least attempt to be the masters of their country's fate. In another light the remarks of the Minister might be interpreted as threatening. It is reported that His Majesty's Government will press for an explanation. But it is likely developments, more than any words, will illuminate the Japanese policy with respect to Great Britain and her lawful intercourse with China.

I AM great lover of trees. There are certain trees in various directions around my home, and several miles away, that I often go specially to see. It is as pleasant for me to visit those trees as it is to visit esteemed friends. Indeed, each tree has its own characteristics, just like a human being.

I know intimately every tree in my garden, and can see in them different moods and expressions according to how the weather may be treating them. The hawthorn in the south-west corner seems rather stand-offish, but is a staunch old retainer nevertheless, and very friendly to the birds. The two rowans are like affectionate twins, and one of them quite lovingly spreads its branches over the arbour where my wife and I would sit on moonlit nights in summer if we had time, and if the summer was sufficiently summery.

The solitary beech is tall and muscular like an athlete; and the lovely little birch with its graceful sprays of tiny leaves always makes me think of an enchanted princess I used to be in love with in a fairy tale, a sufficiently long time ago before I met my wife, to prevent her having any feeling in the matter now.

A visit I paid to an old country house recently awakened many tree

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"Yes, I think so. I think all those men who have decided to hold together in the building of peace and, if the need arises, to fight together against the breaker of peace in order that he may be crushed swiftly—I think all those have reached sanity."

"YOU think there are things worth going to war for?"

"I'm almost grieved to say it, Martin—but I do."

"You really believe a League of Nations war would be different from any other? Any more justified than any other? The slaughter, maiming, poisoning, burning—would be the same."

"No—not the same, not in degree or purpose—only beginning at all if a vast number of countries had sat as a jury and decided who was to blame, had done their utmost to persuade the aggressor to arbitrate, had been repulsed—and had then, combining their mighty authority, decided to crush swiftly and as mercifully as could be, the nation behaving brutally and acting wantonly."

He said: "If a man's dead, he's dead. If a child's blinded, it's blinded. Nothing can justify it. Life's sacred."

"Ought to be. To militarists it isn't. Don't you see there'll be no peace and quiet so long as murder can be done without a hand being lifted. You don't get respect from Al Capone by putting your hands up. England is peaceful and safe because we won't tolerate gangsters with sawn-off shot-guns. Why has liberty vanished from Germany and Italy and Russia? Because people aren't ready to give their lives for it—not enough people."

"Is that another thing you're prepared to go to war for—liberty?"

"You make me feel like hell, Martin. But yes, it is."

"That's what Diehards always say."

"You're gibing now. I'm as far removed from a Diehard as—well, as you are. The belief that the world was ready for a new age wherein war would be banished has faded, that's all. Perhaps we expected too much. Eighteen years since the last.

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"There isn't a good general—Hamilton, Allenby and the rest—not one of 'em who hasn't denounced war," he said.

"That's right. I denounce it too. So does everybody. But face the old generals with a dictator running amok. They wouldn't hesitate again."

"You don't deny that most people in all nations are good, decent people?"

"No, I don't deny that. But if they're so misled and misguided as to be doing devil's work, the agents of a criminal, they've got to be dealt with."

"Even with bombs and bayonets and gas, I suppose."

"Even so, if there's no other way—until such time as they come to their senses."

"YOU'VE given up hope," he said. "Arm to the teeth, outdo every other nation—bigger guns, more planes, more men-o'-war, worse gas. That's it, eh?"

"I profoundly believe that would be it," I said, "unless we stand with all other law-abiding nations to create a new league for peace, so determined to act and so ready to act that nobody dare start war wantonly as a condemned aggressor. With nations ready to pool their forces the need for swollen armaments disappears."

"And supposing," he said, "we find ourselves involved in a war that isn't approved or sponsored by the League—a war arising from imperialistic or national aims."

"Then I don't fight. So long as the League exists, I don't fight unless the League has failed to settle the dispute by argument and by economic sanctions and has approved war."

"I fear that will never come to pass," he said. "The League will never have the courage or unity. So you will never fight."

"I hope it will never be necessary, but if the League does function that way, I shall find myself marching again. And I'm driven to this conclusion too—that unless enough of us make it clear what we are prepared to do in dire need, and talk less about what we won't do, war will come steadily closer."

"It will be the same as last time," he said. "It will demand more courage to refuse to fight than to go."

"Perhaps," I said. "But you know there were times when it wasn't so pleasant to sit tight in trenches, either. It's nearly as easy to over-praise as to under-praise the men who stay at home."

He got out of the bus. "So long," he said. "I shall keep out of it."

"Unless I'm sadly wrong about you, Martin, you won't—not if it starts. Darned few of us will. We wobbled into the last war. We shall only steer clear and steer civilisation clear by making it plain which road we're taking. And that's the League road whatever the consequences. It mayn't mean safety all the way but the destination is all right."

The bus was moving again. "Telegraph," Page 6, yesterday.

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Relentless Drive for Strategic City

TIDE OF BATTLE NOW FOLLOWING RAILWAY LINES

Hsueh Objective Of Invaders After Pengpu Is Captured

Shanghai, Jan. 6.

Driving from north and south along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, the Japanese forces at both ends of the line are continuing their relentless attacks in an attempt to force Chinese troops out of their strong defence positions in the vicinity of Hsueh, strategic railway junction city, where the Lunghai line meets the Tientsin-Pukow system.

Two Japanese columns, according to Chinese reports, are driving from the bank of the Yangtze into the north in an endeavour to occupy the southern portion of the Tientsin-Pukow railway.

The objective of these units is Pengpu, in northern Anhwei, against which the attackers are making a determined march.

The Japanese claim their troops have seized Kantai, 88 kilometres north-west of Yangchow. As a result of this success the Japanese are said to be within 100 kilometres of Pengpu.—*Reuter*.

Lunghai Line Objective

Hankow, Jan. 6. Indications are mounting that the Lunghai line is the next objective of the Japanese, who will probably simultaneously drive to Hsueh from both the south and north and also attempt a landing at Haichow to bring the Peiping-Hangchow front closer to Chengchow. The Chinese line south of Shanghai is stretched to Szechui, Ninghsiang and Wenshang. Fighting is at present going on between the Chinese centre and a Japanese column advancing down the Tientsin-Pukow railway, south of Yenchow.—*United Press*.

Successful Raids

Hankow, Jan. 6. Chinese planes raided Wuhu yesterday according to reports from Chinese sources which state that an arriving at Wuhu, the Chinese raiders found one Japanese machine just landing and five stationary in the air field. All six were destroyed when the Chinese pilots tossed 70 bombs on the aerodrome. It is also officially confirmed in Chinese quarters that during the original raid on Wuhu on January 3, Chinese planes destroyed two Japanese warships, described as "large gunboats".—*United Press*.

Japanese Ammunition Seized

Chengchow, Jan. 6. Three truckloads of Japanese ammunition were seized by Chinese troops at Changhsien near Taining in southern Hsueh, according to information received here. Japanese troops movements in southern Hsueh have been much accelerated during the last few days. The Japanese force at Taining has been increased to 1,500, while the enemy garrison at Lungwangmiao, five miles to the south, now numbers 700 men.—*Central News*.

Duke Kung Escapes

Hankow, Jan. 6. Kung Teh-chen, the 77th lineal descendant of Confucius, who, it was previously rumoured, was Japanese candidate as Emperor of China, will arrive at Hankow very shortly at the invitation of the Chinese Government.

"Duke Kung" left Chufu, the birthplace of his distinguished ancestor, before the Japanese occupation of the town, evidently not relishing the prospect of becoming a second Mr. Pu Yi, now Emperor of Manchukuo.

In this connection it is recalled that Confucianism, which the Kuomintang regarded unfavourably since its inception, returned to favour in 1935, when prominent party leaders offered sacrifices at the tomb of Confucius, after which Kung Teh-chen was given an official post and received a pension from the National Government.—*United Press*.

Szechuan Food Problem

Hankow, Jan. 6. The Szechuan province, at present the goal of thousands of refugees from China, is attempting to increase its food production in order to provide for the increased population.

In this connection many old cemeteries are being levelled and turned into grainfields. It is estimated that this will increase the acreage under grain by at least ten per cent. The wasteful practice of each

ROOSEVELT OUTLINES ECONOMY BUDGET

Wants Billion For Relief Work

Warns Against Obstruction

Washington, Jan. 5. In his annual Budget message to-day, President Roosevelt asked Congress for another \$1,000,000,000 for Relief purposes during the fiscal year 1939, and at the same time warned rebellious legislators against opposing his economy programme.

He said that the combined deficits for the fiscal years 1938 and 1939 total \$2,037,735,600 and renewed his demands for widespread economies to hold the 1939 deficit at \$949,606,000 which is \$10,288,129,600 under the estimated 1938 deficit.

He estimated that the gross public debt on June 30, 1939 would be \$30,520,252,018. He said that the business recession had reacted on the Administration's financial house, and instead of a balanced budget which he predicted for the year ending June 30, 1938, he was forced to report a net deficit of \$1,084,120,000 as a likelihood.

Likewise, he said, instead of a completely balanced budget for 1939-40 which he forecast to permit a gradual reduction of the national debt, he was compelled to estimate the probable net deficit for that year at \$949,606,000 which would be \$138,200,000 over the current deficit.

The President's message showed steady gains in revenue collections receipts, which for the 1937-38 fiscal year amounted to \$5,293,840,237 which is \$54,000,000 under the estimates, although a gain of \$1,175,000,000 over the 1936 fiscal year.

He said that the total revenues from all sources for the current fiscal year reach \$6,320,513,000 which is \$973,100 under the estimates, and he forecast a drop of \$89,439,000 in miscellaneous internal revenue collections.

The President said that the recession had forced a revision of the earlier and more rosy estimates, and expressed the hope that the calendar year would bring an improvement in business and a resultant rise in tax receipts.

However he warned: "The Treasury is leaning to the conservative side. It predicts some improvement over the present level, but does not assume in its figures that the business calendar for 1938 will reach such high levels as the business calendar for 1937."

The Budget message revealed sharply reduced appropriations for most Government agencies, and proposed holding Federal expenditures for the 1939 fiscal year at \$6,869,000,000 which is \$530,000,000 below the estimated expenditures for the current fiscal year.

RECOMMENDS CAUTION

Further emphasising the need for economies, the President said that the Budget requirements may further unbalance the Budget. He pointed out that the ultimate size of the relief bill was determinable only from the scope and duration of the unemployment problem, and he recommended curtailment of expenditure on highways, river and harbour projects, new buildings and recreation projects, because it had been demonstrated that such projects do not contribute largely to the lightening of the burden of Relief.

He made two recommendations. Firstly, that the President be given power to veto individual items of appropriation measures, and not be compelled to kill the entire Bill as he is at present. Secondly, the enactment of legislation for relieving the Reconstruction Finance Corporation of the responsibility in connection with loans to the Commodity Credit Corporation by waiving the requirement of an annual appraisal of the agency's financial condition.

He said that the forthcoming increase in the public debt will not require the Treasury to borrow additional money from the market. Approximately \$1,163,000,000 will be available during the fiscal year for investment in special issues of Government obligations, from the Old Age Pension reserve account, the Railroad and Government Employees retirement funds, and the Unemployment Trust Fund, as a result of which the Treasury's financing for the fiscal year 1939 will be confined to refunding maturing obligations.—*United Press*.

VERY TENTATIVE

New York, Jan. 5. Business circles regard President Roosevelt's budget message as very tentative and subject to wide revisions, especially in items of relief, taxation, revenue and national defence, which depend on the development of business and international affairs.

As budget deficits are bound to remain to some extent, it is felt an inflationary tinge to the budget cannot be denied. It is nevertheless realised that no further Treasury borrowing is being contemplated in the near future since the deficits will be financed by social security receipts.

CHINESE LODGE PROTEST

Object To Giving Over Prisoners To Japanese

Hankow, Jan. 6. The Chinese Foreign Office has requested the British, French and American governments to take prompt measures to prevent enforcement of the Shanghai Municipal Council's proclamation of January 1, giving the police emergency powers as a sequel to bomb-throwing incidents in the Settlement.

The Foreign Office strongly objects to the provision for making offenders against armed forces in the Settlement liable to be handed over to the forces concerned, and states that the Chinese Government reserves all rights possessed within the Settlement, and would regard as illegal the delivery to non-Chinese armed forces of anyone over whom the Chinese law courts exercise jurisdiction.

China has also sent a note to Tokyo protesting against the alleged intimidation of Chinese Consular officials in Korea who refused to acknowledge the so-called Provisional Government of Peiping.—*Reuter*.

FORCED RECOGNITION

Hankow, Jan. 6. It is officially announced that in the course of the past week Japanese gendarmes and police raided Chinese Consulates in Gensan and Fusan, Korea, and forced them to hoist the five-barred flag of the Peiping regime.

All Chinese Consuls in Formosa and Korea have been forced to become representatives of the Peiping regime.

The Chinese Ambassador to Tokyo yesterday lodged a strong protest with the Foreign Office against these unlawful activities.—*United Press*.

New Gunboat For China

Launched at Coves on December 20 under the 1937 naval programme, a new 670-ton gunboat is being prepared for the China Squadron.

The new gunboat, which will probably be used on the Yangtze, has been named Scorpion. She will have an armament of 4 in. guns, and should be completed within six months.

Ten earlier vessels of the Navy have been named Scorpion since the name was given to an 18-gun sloop in 1740. This vessel served in the expedition to Quebec in 1759, and two years later captured the French ship Boscawen. Another sloop of the name was lost in 1780 on the North American Station, and was succeeded by an 18-gun brig.

The boats of which helped to capture the Dutch corvette *Atalante* in 1804. Six years later the Scorpion captured, under the guns of a shore battery, the French 16-gun brig *Oreste* at Basseterre, Guadeloupe. The prize was added to the Royal Navy as the *Wellington*, and Commander Francis Stanfield of the Scorpion, who promoted for his gallant conduct in the capture of the *Oreste*, was promoted to the rank of Captain in 1804.

The British Government acquired her for the Royal Navy, and for some years she was a harbour ship at Bermuda, where she was sold in 1902. The last Scorpion was a destroyer of the Beagle class, built in 1910. She served at the Dardanelles under Commander A. B. Cunningham (now Vice-Admiral and Second-in-Command, Mediterranean), and flew the flag of Rear-Admiral Stuart Nicholson at the Suvla Bay operations. She was sold in 1920.

U. S. Bans Photos

Or Sketches Of Fortifications

Washington, Jan. 5. Recent spy activity allegations have spurred the House of Representatives to swift action.

Mr. A. J. May, acting chairman of the Military Committee, urged immediate action, stating that it had come to the attention of the President and the War Department that there had been numerous photographs taken recently of United States defenses on the Pacific coast, on the Panama Canal and at Manila.

The House approved a Bill for the making of photographs, biddings and maps of military and naval defenses of the United States.—*Reuter*.

The proposed legislation of the Commodity Credit Corporation, with authority to issue its own securities, is regarded as providing a convenient medium for Government spending without directly increasing the national debt.—*Reuter*.

RADIO BROADCAST

Tchaikowsky Symphony No. 5 in E Minor, op. 64

CHILDREN'S HOUR

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on Frequencies of 845 k.c.s. 0.52 m.c.s. per second. I.I.K.T.

12-12.20 Relay of Special Service from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Gracie Fields (Comedienne). Like The Big Top Do (Long); I Think Of What Used To Think Of Me (Turk, Hanley and Lyman); The Photograph Of Mother's Wedding Group (Hargreaves and Damerell).

12.40 Ambrose and His Orchestra. Fox-Trot—Old Sailor; Nun-Yuff And Sun-Yuff; When The Poppies Bloom Again; Slow Fox-Trot—Serenade In The Night; Fox-Trot—I'm An Old Cowhand (from 'Rhythm on the Range'); Empty Saddles (from 'Rhythm on the Range'); Lost My Rhythm, Lost My Music, Lost My Man (from 'Soft Lights and Sweet Music').

1 Local Time Signal and Weather Report. 1.03 Rossini—La Boutique Fantasque.

Played by the London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Eugene Goossens.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Local Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Songs by Tino Rossi (Tenor). Reviews Cherie (Cyrilory, Gardoni and Patruino); Colombella (de Pierlas—Fennay); Marinella (Scotti, Pujol and Koger); O Corse le D'Amour (Koger and Scotti).

1.54 Viennese Waltzes. A Waltz Dream—Polpourri (Strauss, arr. Dostal); Marek Weber and His Orchestra; Vienna Blood (Strauss); Blue Danube (Strauss). Do Groot and The Piccadilly Orchestra; Moonlight On The Alster (Petras); Wine, Women And Song (Strauss); Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down. 2.5-8.03 European Programme. 8.03-11 Chinese Programme.

5 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

1. Night over Shanghai; 2. Cause my Baby says it's so; 3. I know now; 4. The Lady who couldn't be kissed. 5.15 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

5.20 5. Where are you? 6. Feeling like a Million; 7. Yours and Mine; 8. Your Broadway and my Broadway.

5.35 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

5.45 9. More Power to you; 10. You're my Dish; 11. I've got my heart set on you; 12. Swing is here to stay.

6 Studio—Children's Hour. 7 Songs by Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano).

Wiegand 'Der Kuss' (Smetana); Fruhlingsraum, Op. 89, No. 11 ('Winterreise'—Schubert); Der Einsame, Op. 41 (Schubert).

7.10 Closing Local Stock Quotations and Hongkong Exchange Market Report.

7.15 London—Yascha Krein and His Gypsy Orchestra.

Armenian Dance; Rural Songs of Russia; Romanian Folk-Songs; Tabor (Caravan); Hungarian Folk-Songs (Trio).

7.45 Ballads. Believe Me, If All Those Endearing Young Charms (Moore, arr. Clutman); Danny Malone (Tenor); The Devout Lover (White); Jogging Along The Highway (Samuel); Percy Heming (Baritone); Devonshire Cream and Elder (Curzon and Sanderson); Up From Somerset (Weatherly and Sanderson); Malcolm McEachern (Bass).

8 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.05 Chinese Programme—Studio Concert.

11 Close Down. 8.05-11 p.m. European Programme from Z.E.K. On a Frequency of 640 Kilocycles.

8.05 Variety. Music Hall Parade, 1922-1935, including Jack Hylton; Sir Harry Lauder and Gracie Fields; Vocal—Melody Trumps No. 2... The Four Aces (The Vocal Orchestra); Orchestra—Memories Of Horatio Nicholls... Debroy Sommers Band; One Never Knows, Doc! One? Mr. Wilkes at home in his own barmour. Presented by Pascoe Thornton.

9 Chopin. Etude In A Minor (Winter Wind) Op. 25, No. 11... Irene Scharrer (Piano); Mazurka, Op. 24, No. 4; Nocturne, Op. 33, No. 4... Ignaz Friedman (Piano).

9.15 London—'World Affairs.' A talk by the Rt. Hon. Sir Malcolm Robertson, G.C.M.G., K.B.E.

9.30 London—The News. 9.50 Extracts from Wagner's *Opera*.

The Flying Dutchman—Overture... Bruno Walter conducting the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra; Tannhauser—'Blick' Ich Umher... Friedrich Schorr (Baritone) and New Symphony Orchestra cond. by Albert Coates.

10.10 Tchaikowsky—Symphony No. 5 In E Minor, Op. 64. Played by the New Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.

11 Close Down.

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STUBBS SHIELD GOLF

First Round Results

The following are the first round results of the Stubbs Shield (four-somes) of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club:

Leigh and Orange, Royal Engineers and Manufacturers Life Insurance, byes.

Dodwell and Co. w.o. Royal Naval Hospital, scratched.

J. D. Hutchison & Co. beat Union Insurance at 19th.

P.W.D. w.o. Standard Vacuum, scratched.

Davie, Dong & Co. w.o. Royal Artillery (Lyemun), scratched.

Lowie, Lingham & Co. w.o. Harbour Office, scratched.

Chartered Bank beat C.P.R. at 19th.

Confederation Life Insurance beat Harry Wicking & Co. 2 and 1.

Bank Line Ltd. beat Hongkong Tramways 6 and 5.

H.M.S. Cornflower beat Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

Royal Corps of Signals beat Education Dept. 6 and 5.

R.A. Ordnance Corps beat Air Ministry by one hole.

Government Medical Department and Asiatic Petroleum Co., byes.

BADMINTON TEAM Taikoo R. C. Players Selected

The following players will represent Taikoo R.C. in their Mixed Doubles Badminton League match against Club de Recreo "B" tomorrow:

G. A. Smith and Miss R. Summers; C. Bovard and Miss I. Cunningham; A. Keown and Miss M. Fraser.

Interport Rugger Cancelled

The Hongkong Football Club have received a message from the Shanghai Football Club to the effect that Shanghai will not be sending an Interport Rugby team to the Colony this season.



A front seat at London's age old coronation ceremonies is reserved for all who see "The Prince and the Pauper," the first National picture showing at the King's Theatre to-day. Entirely authentic, this scene is said to be one of the most remarkable spectacles ever filmed. Shown above are: Hallowell Hobbes (right) as the Archbishop of Canterbury; Robert Warwick (left) as Lord Warwick, and Billy Mauch (seated) the pauper boy who was almost crowned King of England.

Marksmen Favoured By Weather

Weather conditions were almost ideal yesterday when the Hongkong Rifle Association held a shoot on the Army ranges. Although the wind varied in strength, its direction was fairly constant, and the light was good.

Outstanding feature of the shooting was the fine card returned by L/Cpl. R. Langford (Middlesex), who put on 32, 31 and 31, at 200, 500, and 600 yards respectively, thus obtaining an aggregate only a point less than that obtained by Cpl. G. Moody, (H.M.S. Suffolk) who took the net spoon in the S. R. (b) series with 95.

Concurrently with the spoon shoot, a competition was held between the Middlesex and the Seaforth. Special competitions are being arranged for the next Sunday shoot, when opportunity will be afforded for shooting at the new army targets. There will also be clay-bird and revolver shooting, as well as team events.

The annual general meeting will be held in February. Nominal and life memberships have been awarded to Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie, and Captain

F. P. Sequeira, of the Volunteers. Yesterday's scores: Middlesex Regiment

	200	500	600	Tot.
Pte. Middleton	32	31	31	94
Pte. Cox	32	31	31	94
L/Cpl. Langford	32	31	31	94
Sgt. Jordan	32	31	31	94
L/Cpl. Baker	32	31	31	94
Sgt. Cooper	32	31	31	94
Pte. Moss	32	31	31	94
Lt. Pullman	32	31	31	94
Range Total	212	223	205	640
H'cap.				18

	200	500	600	Tot.
Sgt. Butterfield	33	31	31	95
Sgt. M. Fleming	33	31	31	95
C.S.M. Keel	33	31	31	95
C.S.M. Bradley	33	31	31	95
Pte. Cranston	33	31	31	95
Cpl. Clark	33	31	31	95
L/Cpl. Baird	33	31	31	95
L/Cpl. Tunner	33	31	31	95
Range Total	214	210	200	624
H'cap.				18

	200	500	600	Age
Cd-Gnr. Moody (Ser.)	32	31	31	94
L/Cpl. Tennar	32	31	31	94
C.P.O. Griffin	32	31	31	94
Sgt. Butterfield	32	31	31	94
Capt. Trevor	32	31	31	94

	200	500	600	Age
L/Cpl. Langford	32	31	31	94
Sgt. Cooper	32	31	31	94
Lt. Pullman	32	31	31	94
Pte. Moss	32	31	31	94
L/Cpl. Jordan	32	31	31	94
Cpl. Richardson	32	31	31	94
L/Cpl. Baird	32	31	31	94
L/Cpl. Macdonald	32	31	31	94
Sgt. Dumville	32	31	31	94
Cpl. Mohamed	32	31	31	94
Cpl. Holbrook	32	31	31	94
Pte. Cranston	32	31	31	94
Cpl. Macdonald	32	31	31	94
Cpl. Burkitt	32	31	31	94

* Denotes the winner of the "net" spoon.
* Denotes the winner of the "handicap" spoon.

WEEK-END CRICKET League Teams Selected For Saturday

The First Division of the Hongkong Cricket League makes a renewed start on Saturday. Kowloon will meet the Army at Sookunpo, and the following will represent Kowloon: 1st XI.—D. J. N. Anderson (Captain), G. C. Burnett, E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, S. Jex, A. T. Lay, R. E. Lee, B. D. Lay, N. D. Lloyd, T. A. Madar and G. F. O'Brien. Umpire, J. P. Robinson. Scorers, W. Bambo.

CRAIGENGOWER 1ST XI
The following will represent Craigengower 1st XI in their League match with the Indian R.C. on the latter's ground:
E. Zimmern (Captain), P. J. Billimoria, A. R. H. Esmail, A. Gobind, A. B. Hanson, A. K. Ismail, A. T. Lee, F. K. Lee, G. Souza, J. L. Youngman and E. R. Zimmern.

CLUB TEAM CHOSEN
The following will represent the Hongkong Cricket Club in their first division match against the Navy on the Club ground:
A. W. Hayward (Captain), M. F. L. Haynes, R. D. Allen, H. W. Baines, G. A. Stewart, F. A. Pearce, J. L. D. Pearce, H. Owen Hughes, R. L. D. Woodhouse, F. Marshall, F. H. Stokes.

Scottish Soccer Result

London, Jan. 5.

Arbroath, playing at home, were held to a draw by Partick in the First Division of the Scottish Football League to-day. Each side scored once.—*Reuter.*

MARINES SHOW THE NAVY HOW

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scutty in increasing the Marines' lead. Five minutes from the end, the long-awaited naval movement materialised. Tippet and Wallace, who drew Letbridge and passed the ball to the unmarked Wallace, who had only Willis to beat. This seemed to put new life into the Navy forwards and to fluster the Marines' backs, both of whom became shifty. But Dixon was there, working like a Trojan and saving several dangerous situations.

The game was well-handled by Sgt. Isley, of the Army.
Teams:
Royal Navy.—Pepper, Kew, Tozer, Lalster, Sherman, Fisher, Chalerat, Potts, Page, Tippet, and Wallace.
Royal Marines.—Willis, Letbridge, Tucker, Band, Dixon, Robinson; Skittle and Long.

TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONS May Play Here Shortly

If arrangements proceed as anticipated, Hongkong will have an opportunity of witnessing Miklos Szabados and Istvan Kelen, the Hungarian world champions at table tennis, in action next March. These two champions arrived in the Colony a few days ago on board the steamer Nollor from Australia, on a visit to Japan.

Both expressed surprise when informed that there was no table tennis association in the Colony. Everywhere else they have been, they have been met by a representative of such an association. In Australia, where the game is but a year old, though the standards are medium compared with those of England and Europe, the game has gained such a hold that the country will, in the future, be ranked among the major nations.

Many people, the champions said, have a wrong conception of the game. To play it one must be as fit as for a game of tennis or soccer. A keen eye, and above all concentration on the ball, are main essentials, and to have these attributes is not easy.

Having started playing at the age of fourteen, their first world championships were in 1929, when Kelen won the Mixed Doubles title, and Szabados won the Men's Singles. Szabados that year was runner-up to Fred Perry in the Singles. They are the present holders of the Australian Singles and Doubles Championship titles, while Kelen is co-holder of the newly inaugurated Mixed Doubles championship.

They expressed their willingness to give an exhibition in Hongkong upon their return from Japan early in March.

BADMINTON LEAGUE RESULTS

In the "D" Division of the Badminton League last night, St. John's beat Free Lancers 7-2.
F. H. Kwok and A. J. Bennett (St. John's) beat A. L. Fisher and F. W. Clark 21-15; beat J. L. Anderson and Howard 21-14; beat Sharpe and Harris 21-11.
Smith and A. Keown (St. John's) beat Fisher and Clark 21-18; beat Anderson and Howard 11-21; beat Sharpe and Harris 21-5.
P. Wilson and N. Smith (St. John's) beat Fisher and Clark 21-11; beat Anderson and Howard 21-15; beat Sharpe and Harris 21-5.

C.R.C. v RECREO

Chinese Recreation Club beat Club de Recreo 7-2.
S. W. Liang and P. F. Choy (C.R.C.) beat J. N. and C. N. de Silva 21-24; beat F. A. Alves and C. C. Pereira 21-11; beat M. M. de V. Soares and H. A. Noronha 21-10.

C. F. Chiu and Y. W. Lee beat Silva and Silva 21-10; beat Alves and Pereira 21-10; beat Soares and Noronha 21-15.
P. C. Loung and C. Y. Yung lost to C. F. Chiu and Y. W. Lee 15-21; beat Alves and Pereira 21-20; beat Soares and Noronha 21-10.

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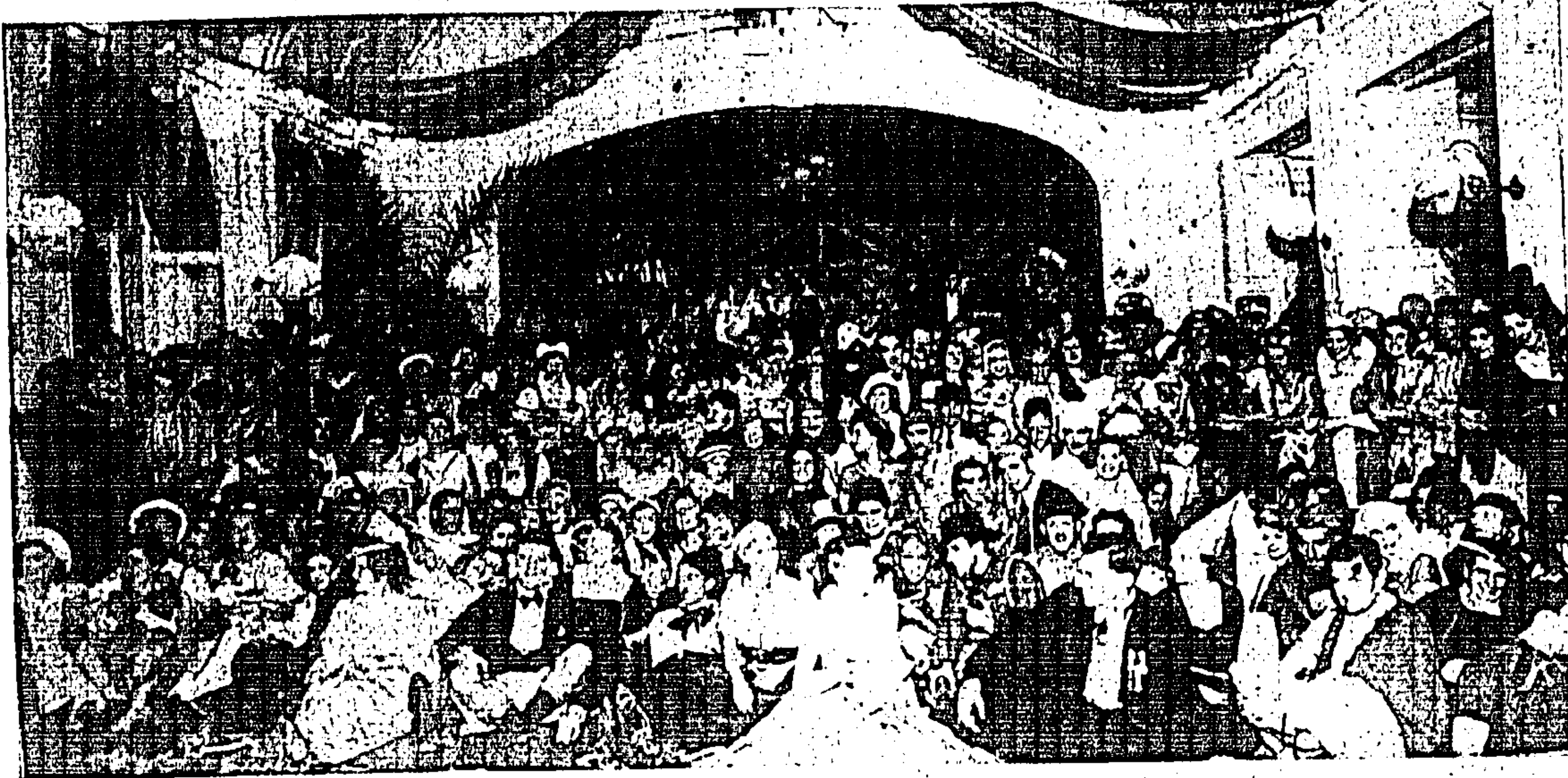
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NEWS OF THE DAY
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Hongkong Telegraph PHOTONEWS

HAPPENINGS
AS SEEN BY
THE CAMERA'S EYE



PLAIN AND FANCY DRESS DANCE held at Peak during the Yuletide season was a brilliant success and attracted a record crowd.—King's Studio.



"WHO'S THAT MAN with the box?" Asks this kiddie at a recent Kowloon party.—Ming Yuen.



"BOB" HENDERSON lays down the law of hockey at the recent Y.M.C.A. versus C.B.A. fancy dress match.—Staff Photographer.



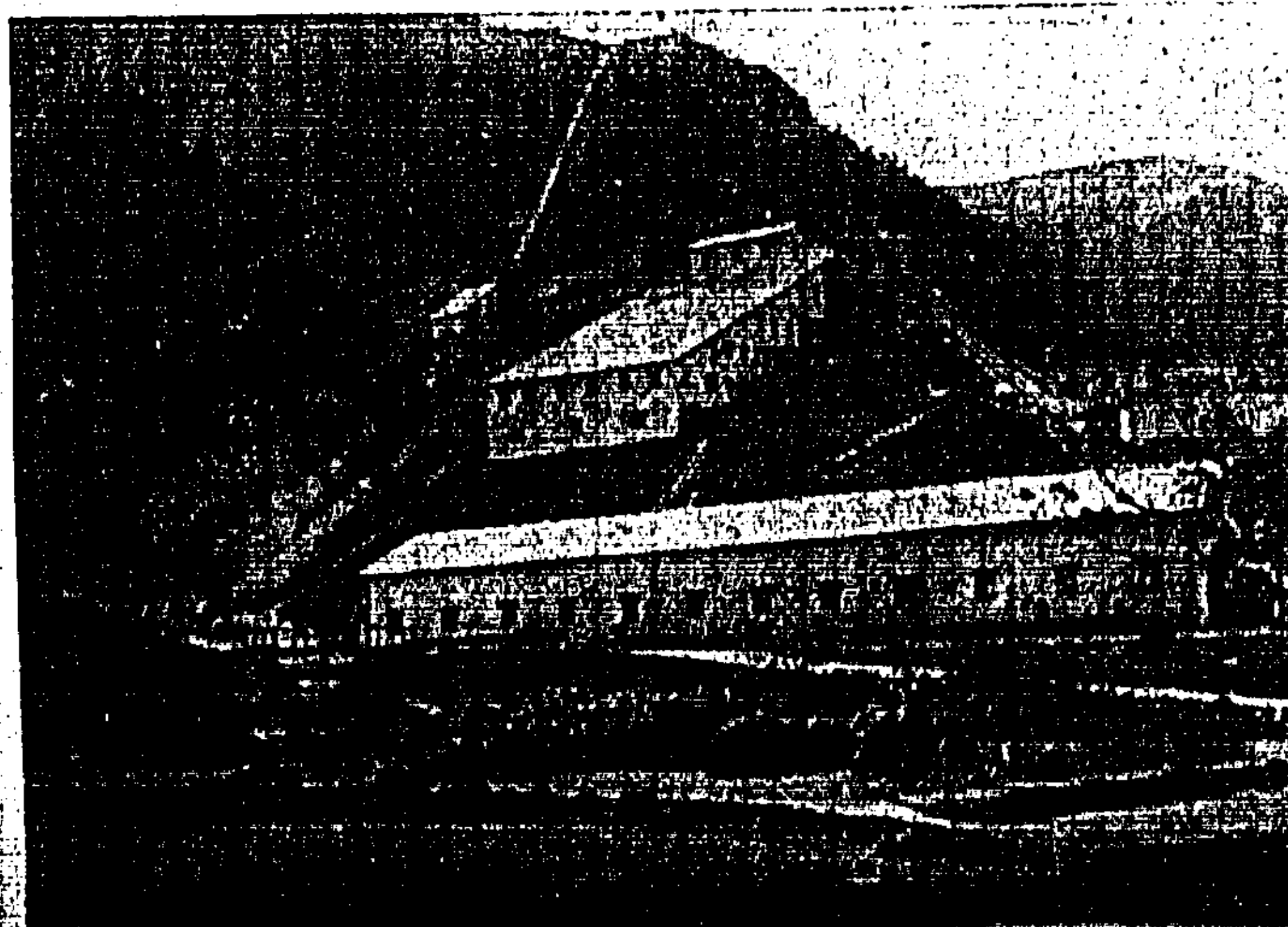
ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL Hall was venue of a Children's Christmas Party, which was greatly appreciated by the youngsters.—Ming Yuen.



KIDDIES HAD AN ENJOYABLE TIME at a party held on New Year's Eve at the residence of Mr. Alves.—Yuen Chun.



DOROTHY MOSS, Lillian Dunn, Sam Shields were able to help their side considerably in the Y.M.C.A.—C.B.A. Fancy Dress Hockey Match. Perhaps Sam's Costume had something to do with it!—Staff Photographer.



Starbuck (facing Camera), Mrs. F. Read and Mr. Dalsiel were three members of the Y.M.C.A. Fancy Dress team.—Staff Photographer.

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EXPECT "GO AHEAD" SIGNAL IN AMERICAN NAVAL RE-ARMAMENT

Washington, Jan. 5.
White House officials indicated to-day that President Franklin Roosevelt is about to give the "Go Ahead" signal for the expanded naval construction programme.
They stated that the President called to the White House congressional leaders, Mr. Charles Edison of the N.R.A., and Admiral Leahy.—*Reuter*.

FAITH IN INDUSTRY

Washington, Jan. 5.
President Roosevelt's message to Congress, veering away from public works and Civilian Conservation Corporation as methods of solving the unemployment problem, in regard to the private industry, may take up the slack in employment.
With additional relief measures possible, the re-armament programme is seemingly held in reserve in case recession becomes worse. While the President does not specifically link the possible re-armament programme with re-employment measures, well-informed circles interpret this phase of the budgetary position as follows:

MARCH FOR ARMS

If, through Government co-operation with business, joint measures to halt recession are successful, relief expenditure can be further cut, leaving the margin available for arms. The margin should be the international situation, especially in the Far East, show no improvement. Should recession become worse, however, increased expenditure on defence would still be a better investment.
Hence, whatever the coming year has in store, authoritative circles believe expenditure on defence is certain to show a continued upward curve.—*Reuter*.

NEW BUILDING PLAN PREDICTED

Washington, Jan. 5.
Hints given by congressional leaders and naval officials, who interviewed President Roosevelt to-day, indicate that the message, which it is understood the President will shortly send to Congress, will ask for a big new warship building programme for years to come, to replace the 1934 Vinson Trammell Act, in which the programme laid down was based on the Washington and London naval treaties.

Thus, if the new programme is adopted, the United States will follow the lead of other nations and abandon the yardstick limitation system laid down by the treaties.

Although it is stated that no decision has been reached on the types or numbers of additional vessels, Admiral Leahy, chief of Naval Operations, indicated that the navy favoured one or more battleships beyond the four now being built or projected, as well as two additional aircraft-carriers and many small cruisers.—*Reuter*.

STEEL INDUSTRY BOOMING

More Income For Workers

London, Jan. 5.
According to a statement by the British Iron and Steel Federation, the British steel industry is at present equipped to produce, and is producing, at an annual rate far in excess of 1929 or of any previous year. The output of steel ingots and castings for 1937 is 12,000,000 tons, representing a stepping up by 3,000,000 tons in the last two years and comparing with 9,600,000 tons in 1929. The process of scrapping and reconstructing older plant and of extending large scale integrated works has been proceeding rapidly over the past few years. At the year's end aggregate steel furnace capacity of country stands at 13,500,000 tons per annum, which compares with 12,750,000 at the end of 1936 and approximately 11,000,000 tons at the end of 1929. It estimated the industry has spent £20,000,000 in new and reconstructed furnaces, mills, etc., in the two years ended to date. In 1929 new capital expenditure was £2,300,000.

The industry's programme of re-equipment is not yet complete. Work is proceeding on large projects in South Wales, on the Clyde, in Lincolnshire and elsewhere, and these, it is estimated, will involve a further expenditure of over £10,000,000 in the course of 1938. By the end of this year steel-making capacity will have been further enhanced to rather more than 14,000,000 tons per annum.

Record activity has involved a record volume of earnings in respect of iron and steel workers. It estimated the total earnings paid in 1937 amounted to £2,400,000,000 which compared with £2,100,000,000 in 1936 and £3,000,000,000 in 1929. Over the period the percentage of insured workers employed has risen from 88.7% in November 1936, to 89.4% in November 1937, and the average earnings per week have advanced from £3.10s. 7d to £3.17s. 6d. The average earnings per week in 1929 as a whole were £3.1s. 6d.—*British Wireless*.

SPEEDING HONGKONG AIRMAILS

Imperial Airways Plans Announced

Further re-organisation of the Imperial Airways service between England and the Far East is probable at the end of this month.

It is likely that the new 25-ton flying boats, one of which has already visited Australia on an experimental flight, will be placed in service between Southampton and Singapore within a few weeks.

When these flying boats are used on the Singapore route, a new timetable for airmail to and from Hongkong will be inaugurated, and the Diana type airplanes at present used on the Hongkong feeder service will again be routed from Singapore.

Dissatisfaction is being expressed by Antipodean residents in Hongkong at the long delay occasioned in the delivery of mail from Australia and New Zealand through the Hongkong feeder service being routed from Bangkok. Transit time between Australia and Hongkong has been lengthened to ten days, which is only seven days less than the transit time for ordinary steamer mail.

Routing of Hongkong air mail through Bangkok, it was explained to the Telegraph this morning, is a temporary measure which will be abandoned when the new flying boat service is inaugurated.

Flying boats will considerably reduce the transit time between both England and Hongkong and Australia and Hongkong.

BRITISH DIPLOMAT ON WAY TO HANKOW

Canton, Jan. 6.
Mr. D. McKillop, Counselor in the British Embassy, arrived here last night from Hankow, en route to Hankow.—*Reuter*.

STOP PRESS

OUTLINES EDUCATION PROGRESS

Striking Figures of British Expansion

London, Jan. 5.
Mr. Kenneth Lindsay, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Education in his presidential address to the North of England Education Conference at Scarborough to-day described the progress which has been made in the urban and rural districts with the re-organisation of schools, resulting in the provision of liberal and practical education suited to the varying needs of boys and girls over 11 years of age.

Between April and November 1937 the Board approved of over £6,500,000 for capital expenditure mainly in connection with re-organisation—an increase of one million pounds over last year's figures. Plans for further work estimated at £13,000,000 are now in an advanced stage of consideration.

INTANGIBLE RETURNS
In his concluding passages, Lindsay turned to consider the intangible returns which the nation derived from great expenditure on education. He said the real fruits of education—tolerance and a kindliness of temperance, vitality and appreciation of beauty—did not yield to statistical measurement and often went unremembered. "Tolerance and truthful dealing between peoples is a matter," he said, "of the schools that we must look for their preservation."—*British Wireless*.

U.S. Counts Dollars In China Field

Taking Stock Of Her Position

Washington, Jan. 5.
The Senate has passed the Stewer Bill calling upon the State Department to provide information as to the extent of American capital invested, civilian nationals and army and navy men present in China at the present time. There have been protests that the time was inopportune for the disclosure of such information.

Senator Stewer, a highly-placed Congressman, stated: "We have the same obligations to a single American as to 100,000. It would be most unfortunate to intercept the idea that our position in China is to be determined by the number of our nationals or the size of our stake there."

Senator William Borah said the resolution did not imply that Americans ought to leave China.
Senator Stewer consented to an amendment that the State Department reveal only what was possible without hurting national interests.

Senator Lewis of Illinois recalled he had repeatedly urged withdrawal of armed forces from China lest a clash involved them in war. "But now such an incident has occurred that they cannot be withdrawn. It would be a form of treason."

Senator William Nye presented the Department of Commerce report showing that \$132,000,000 (U.S. currency) was invested in China, and \$60,000,000 in Japan, excluding American loans.—*United Press*.

U.S. MAY BUY LESS SILVER

Washington, Jan. 5.
President Roosevelt, in his budget survey, ostensibly indicated that the Treasury expected to purchase a smaller amount of silver during the fiscal year of 1938 than in 1937, but only slightly under the 1937 figure.
This indication is derived from the fact that the Government's silver reinsurance receipts would be \$35,000,000 compared with \$60,000,000 in the current fiscal year and \$39,000,000 in the previous year. However, it is pointed out that these estimates are sometimes changed.
In January 1937 the President's estimate of silver for the current fiscal year was \$40,000,000, whereas at present it is estimated it will amount to \$30,000,000. It is believed the difference is due to shifts in the Treasury purchase policy in accordance with expenditures on the fiscal year develops.—*United Press*.

REMINDER TO RUMANIA

London, Jan. 5.
Sir Reginald Hoare, British Minister at Bucharest, has been instructed to remind the Rumanian Government of its long-standing interest in the Minorities Treaty signed in Paris on December 9, 1919, to which Rumania was one of the original signatories, and in the minorities procedure generally. France is reported to have acted similarly.
The Minorities Treaty guaranteed racial, religious and linguistic freedom, the provision of schools and the use of their languages in the Courts and in dealings with the authorities.—*Reuter Special*.

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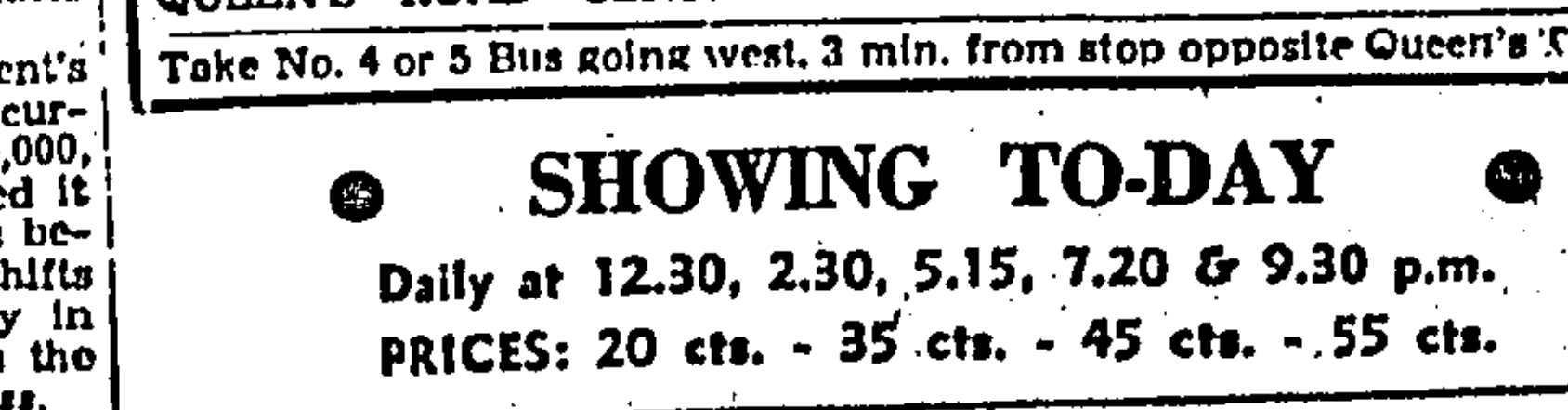
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